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How BIG Is The 19-in. Tube?

TODAY: Admiral publicly introduces the first 19inch television set. And other companies already have sets in the works.

LAST YEAR: The big hit was another new tube size, the 23-incher, which has taken a steadily increasing bit of the market.

TOMORROW: There's no question that the 19-inch set is here to stay. But industry is wondering how big a chunk of the market the new tube will takeand whether the public will prefer the bonded or non-bonded variety.

And there's no pat answer to any of the questions or impending problems. There is, however, for the most part, enthusiasm for the 19-inch set as the industry's latest magic number

First out today with the 19-incher, Admiral has abandoned the 17-inch set and possibly the 21. As of March 1, the company discontinued production of the 17-inchers. Right now, Admiral says, there is no factory ventory of the sets and the quantity at distributor level should be gone in three weeks.

If by June 1, Admiral finds there is still sufficient demand for 21-inch sets, the company will continue to manufacture them. If Admiral will scuttle that set, too.

The company's 1960 production estimates break down this way: no 17-inchers, 35% in 19-inch sets and 65% devoted to 23-inch sets. There's one "if" in the figures. If the company decides to continue producing 21-inchers, they will be absorbed in the 65% now devoted exclusively to 23-inch production. In any event, the 35% planned for 19-inchers remain constant.

The market's 17-19-21-23-inch mix, enough numbers to start a small bingo party, is drawing mixed reaction within the industry. One school, figuring you can catch more fish with a bigger net, reasons that the customer should be given as large a choice as possible.

"That's the opinion of our marketing manager," explained a General Electric spokesman in Syracuse. "With that mix on the market, the customer is bound to find some-thing she wants to buy."

But Ben Abrams, president of Emerson, believes that all four sizes on the market only will lead to confusion.

"It doesn't sound practical," he explained.

Where will the 19-inch sales come from? Active speculation on that puzzler produces a wide range of educated guesses. On the whole, industry's feeling is that the 17-inch set isn't dead—yet. And eventually the 19inchers may undercut both 17- and 21-inch

To Philco, introduction of the 19-inch set looks like a double-edged sword ready to

slice into both 21- and 17-inch sales.
"If the 19-inch set is sold to a customer who wouldn't have bought a 17 or 21," explained a Philco spokesman, "then it will stimulate sales."

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BUSINESS BRIEFS

- Can you deduct lobbying expenses from your income tax? Both the Supreme Court and Internal Revenue Service recently ruled you can't. But a number of groups from the AFL-CIO to the U. S. Chamber of Commerce—say the regulations infringe on their basic rights of free speech. So Congress is being asked to straighten out the
- Frigidaire is the latest addition to the crew of the good ship "Deal-Training," currently steaming full speed through the industry. C H. Menge, general sales manager, describes the company's program as "human-centered." Courses will develop your ability to sell the motives and needs of your prospect, to translate what you know about the product into human terms he can understand.
- Want to see the first custom-designed "total electric" Gold Medal-lion Home in the country? It's in Tampa, Fla., a co-project of Tampa Electric Co. and Westing-house. And it's only one of 16 "total electrics" commissioned by Westinghouse. The others will ma-terialize later this spring. Some of the Tampa house's features: A year-round controlled environment through air conditioning and baseboard heating units; "every available" built-in and portable electric appliance.
- · Introduced as "another Zenith answer to Japanese transistor radio imports," the new "Zenette" is vestpocket size, goes for \$39.95. The tiny transistor has a 2%-inch speaker and is said to operate up to 100 hours on three penlight bat-teries. Looking like a camera—with its pebble grain finish—the Zenette comes in five colors.

THIS WEEK'S COLOR TV

MONDAY (All Times E.S.T.)

6:30 A.M. (NBC) Continental Classroom (Monday-Friday) 11 A.M. (NBC) The Price Is Right (Monday-Friday) 12:30 P.M. It Could Be You (Monday-Friday)

day-Friday) 10 P.M. (NBC) Steve Allen

TUESDAY

8:30 P.M. (NBC) Ford Startime 9:30 P.M. (NBC) Arthur Murray

WEDNESDAY

8:30 P.M. (NBC) The Price Is Right 9:00 P.M. (NBC) Perry Como

9:30 P.M. (NBC) Tennessee Ernie Ford Show

FRIDAY

8:30 P.M. (NBC) The Bell Tele-

9:30 P.M. (NBC) Masquerade Party

SATURDAY

10 A.M. (NBC) Howdy Doody 10:30 A.M. (NBC) Ruff & Reddy 7:30 P.M. (NBC) Bonanza 9:30 P.M. (NBC) World Wide 60

YAGNUZ

9:00 P.M. (NBC) Dinah, Shore

REGIONAL

ROUND-UP: A new, exclusive, EM Week survey of key cities across the nation which shows you how business was last week. Watch for it every issue.

EAST . . . BOSTON—Appliance sales continued very soft in most outlets here last week, although perhaps hardening a little over the rest of the month, which has been behind last year's figures. About only bright was the Washington's Birthday promotion which gave some stimulus. White goods and stereos were among the weak items; television, housewares were steadier. Jordan Marsh housewares ads pitched most at ranges, dishwashers, home laundry, stereos. Gilchrist's "Leap Day" sale emphasized and sale emphasized automatic washers, vacuum cleaners. Richard Hootstein, manager

of Top Discount, Inc., in suburban Somerville, said: "We have thrown out most of our appliances here. Customers come in with lists comparing prices elsewhere. People will spend \$20 and \$30 looking around, more than they can save. A lot of furniture stores are giving up appliances because of low markups."

SOUTH . . . MIAMI-The sun is smiling down on a good many reasonably satisfied, if not elated, dealers as the winter season wanes. Though January sales sagged somewhat (\$2 million to exact, with most of the slack-off coming in commercial equipment), the market strengthened in February and, according to Vice President Henry Keele of Florida Power and Light Co., the early set-back bids fair to be varied within several months in a steadily rising tide of sales. Most dealers felt they were off to a fairly good start in the first 60 days of the year, although white goods were generally no better than even or a little off from the comparable period in 1959. Television showed respectable, and in some cases, impressive gains. Hot shots—these were nominated for products to be watched in '60: G-E's frost-guard boxes (by Thomas Mullane, manager of the local S and D Branch); Frigidaire's first 13-foot doubledoor frost-proof; the FP13B (by veteran dealer Harley Collins); and any and all of the 23's (by one of the city's top television specialty houses).

WEST COAST . . . LOS ANGELES -Buying patterns during the first two months of the year have caused a modification of the earlier optimism of appliance dealers going into 1960. The outlook was for a boom year, with the possibility that sales would be up 15% over 1959. Now dealers feel that 1960 will see about a 5% rise.

General business conditions nationally and locally brought a general lull in appliances be-tween Jan. 20 and Feb. 20. This was attributed to growing awareness of buyers that their growing own welfare is contingent on

the general economy. Locally, there has been some softening in the defense industry, including large layoffs at the engineering level. And any vibrations in the defense industry automatically reverberate throughout the rest of the local

economy.

Prices are generally firm, and healthier sales are being anticipated in the majors for March and April. A drop in prices has caused a spurt in sales of American-made transistor radios. And, with the RCA transistor now selling for \$26.95—not the \$34.95 to \$39.95 of a year ago-even greater volume is predicted during spring.

SOUTHWEST . . . HOUSTON-The big chains report "steady" busi-ness, but the little dealers are hurting. "February was the worst month I've had in 13 years," said Jim Hulme of Hulme's Appliances. The dealers generally blame heavy rains and unseasonal cold, idling thousands of construction workers; for the poor business.

However, the unspoken villain was the discount house. are mushrooming here. Dean R. Benton, vice president of J. A. Walsh & Co., a major distributor, said: "We're undergoing a merchandising revolution. People today will buy where they get the best deal for their dollar." E. L. Crumpacker of Crumpacker Distributing Corp. said his sales were off 10% as compared to same time last year. His concern is still suffering from effects of steel strike, he said, and the "inactivity in oil operations." Benton, however, said his firm is "ahead of last year's vol-ume." Hot items: color TV and the new RCA-Whirlpool line, "my best item in history.

MIDWEST . . . KANSAS CITY—In the last 10 days, metropolitan Kansas City has had an abnormal eight-plus inches of snow, and two weeks of below-freezing temperatures, which appear to have had some impact on finance merchandising. One offi-cial at major dealership had a one-word description of business: "Horrible." Said the offi-cial: "We've tried all kinds of advertising-newspaper, television, radio and direct mail, and nothing has worked." He said the snow and cold were blame. Prices, meanwhile, have softened.

The snow, however, hasn't effected some other dealers. Malcolm Magers, owner of Vesto, Inc., said his February business is up 42% over the month in 1959, and that January was double. His volume is in TV and stereo, and Magers attributed his Magnavox line as the main reason for business upturn. This quality line is carrying the operation, he said.

Big Markets in 'Little' Co-ops

There were 6,000 of them in St. Louis. The men ran to big hats and slow voices; their ladies ran to a more modish pattern—and also, the men said, to St. Louis' inviting

They came from places like Americus, Ga.; Berryville, Ark.; Muleshoe, Tex.; Ubly, Mich.; Mountainair, N. M.; and Cynthiana,

Their business cards were exotic, too: Singing River Electric Power Assn.; Lone Wolf Electric Co-op; Northern Lights: Runestone Electric Assn.; and the Choptank Elec-

tric Co-op were some of the names on them.

They were members of the National Rural Electric Cooperative Assn. at its 18th annual meeting.

And, according to J. J. Ander-son, manager of Westinghouse's major appliance division, they provide the power used by 10% of the

nation's appliance market.

That explains the presence of Westinghouse and all its appliance-making competition in the NRECA exhibition hall and in hospitality suites each night. The exhibitor list ran over 1,000 names long, including makers of anything and everything an electric utility can use. Or merchandise and promote.

NRECA members serve over 4 million meters, they say, which—at the rural average of four persons to the meter-is a tidy 16 million customers.

This year, NRECA celebrates the silver jubilee of rural electric power, signed into law during the depression by President Roosevelt, and known familiarly as REA. Durits 18th annual meeting, NRECA announced its jubilee with what's become a modern coming-of-age gesture: An ad in "Life."

Discounter's Gimmick: Free Lifetime Service

Discounts, Inc., four-year-old chain of eight Pittsburgh and western Pennsylvania TV and stereo stores, is confident it can offer its lifetime service policies to cus-tomers and still make money.

How Discounts, Inc., manages this is a bookkeeping secret, however. You have to sharpen your pencil a little bit," said President Zolton Kaufman. "And you need a large service organization to offer it.'

His philosophy is that "anything different is good," tied in with the chain's basic premise that "The more you spend in advertising the better the sales are." He is constantly promoting.

Actually, the free-service guarantee is basically a one-shot deal. Discounts did it last year for two days, this year for a full week, selling "at usual discount prices about 20% off suggested list prices." Prices, says Kaufman, did change during the special week.

Discounts stands behind its lifetime guarantee: Free labor, parts and picture tube, he added. Only hitch is that the customer must haul the set to a Discounts store. If a service call is made the charge is \$5.95 "maximum."

High Court Clobbers 'Fair Trade' Again

U. S. Supreme Court last week just about stopped for good efforts by manufacturers to enforce suggested resale prices in non-fair trade areas. The 6-3 ruling says Parke, Davis & Co. violated the Sherman Antitrust Act in 1956 when it attempted—unsuccessfully, incidentally—to control price-cutting on some of its pharmaceutical products in non-fair trade areas in and around Washington, D. C.

The ruling says that a manufacturer may still legally refuse to sell to customers who will not resell at prices suggested by the seller. But the ruling says, in effect, that any additional means used by the seller to get wholesalers and retailers to go along with his prices amounts to putting together a combination in violation of the Sherman Act.

Parke, Davis defended its conduct as no more than the exercise of its legal right as a seller—secured by a 1919 ruling of the Supreme Court and known as the Colgate doctrine—to pick the people it would do business with.

Justice William Brennan agreed with the government's contention that Parke, Davis went far beyond the permissible limits of that doctrine. In doing so, Brennan cites such things as Parke, Davis' pressure on wholesalers to deny pricecutting retailers a source of supply; Parke, Davis giving its wholesalers the names of price-cutting retailers who were then cut off; and Parke, Davis discussing a ban on price-cut advertising with retailers as a means of eliminating discount sales.

For the three dissenters, Justice John M. Harlan says the new ruling kills the Colgate doctrine. According to Harlan, "We are left completely in the dark as to what the purported new standard is for establishing a contract, combination or conspiracy . . ." Harlan charged the court was killing the 40-year old Colgate doctrine while pretending it was not doing so.

The new court ruling is still another blow to manufacturers who have tried various means of controlling retail price-cutting on their products. Discount houses and the repeal of some 16 state fair trade laws have forced many manufacturersincluding the major electrical ap-pliance makers—to abandon fair trading as unworkable. And in nonfair trade areas, even the efforts of Parke, Davis-which the Supreme Court says were illegal-did not succeed in stopping discount pricing. The only real future for fair traders lies in the rather forlorn hope that Congress will enact a federal trade law, now pending in both houses.

For Cory Dealers: A Bonus

For the next 30 days, dealers buying six units of any one of eight Cory electric houseware items will get an additional unit free.

The bonus is part of a drive to get the items on dealer shelves before the company kicks off its "Cory for Gifts" national consumer ad campaign, which will run through the end of 1960.

Everyone Likes Coin-Op Machines At AIL's Mile-Long Chicago Show



TEMCO ELECTRONIC TECHNICIAN Charles Gibbs, left, demonstrates a central control system for coin-op laundries at the AIL exhibit in Chicago.

Adequate Wiring and Sales: What's a Dealer's Stake?

Dealer and contractor teams for mutual gain are advocated at wiring convention

How do you help the dealer help himself? To the men at the National Wiring Sales Conference in Philadelphia, this continues to be one of the most puzzling problems in business.

Obviously, the reasoning runs, you can't sell many electrical appliances to people with inadequately wired homes. But most dealers still remain lukewarm or uncooperative about wire promotions.

Despite the dealer's attitude, a few men emerged at the Philadelphia convention with an answer: Go to the dealer, don't wait for him to come to you.

A prize example—winning an industry award from "Look" and the admiration of the convention—is the R. C. Electric Co. of Milwaukee. Today the company has 150 dealers working as part of a hard driving "Housepower team." Everyone has profited by the arrangement.

Prewiring homes means business for the dealer as well as themselves, reasoned the Pritchett Brothers of R. C. Electric. They set out to drum up action.

Dealers were supplied with booklets giving installation rates which the brothers had worked out for each unit and scaled to meet individual situations. The end result: With a glance at the booklet, dealers can tell customers immediately what installation will cost on any specific appliance.

Viewing the need for adequately wired homes as part of a long-range program of education for dealers, the brothers provide consultation service and will handle any appointment dealers set up for installation or estimates in a day. "When we first approached deal-

"When we first approached dealers," explained Dick Pritchett, "we met with two reactions. Open arms or suspicion. Now we've got 150 friends."

The same method—going after the dealer—is being successfully employed by a utility, the Niagara-Mohawk Power Corp. of Syracuse, N. Y.

"Our idea is to get ready for the future," explained the company's K. C. Steblen. "Future sales are at stake. But dealers are the hardest to sell the wiring concept."

Niagara-Mohawk has been running its program since 1956. Today there are dealer programs in all three divisions with 154 in the central division alone. And they all pay dues.

As part of its 1960 sales presentation, Florida Power and Light pushed the adequate wiring story at dinner meetings for over a thousand dealers.

"The dealer can't avoid it" said John Biggi of the National Wiring Bureau. "Adequate wiring is a must and it involves the dealer. The one who gets on the bandwagon first is going to be better off." "It sure is nice," a West Virginia coin-op owner drawled, "but it's too rich for my blood."

He was looking at the hit of the 1960 American Institute of Laundering show—a coin-operated dry cleaning machine which can handle up to nine pounds of clothing for \$1. What stopped him was the price tag—a cool \$5,300.

made by Standard, Inc. of Dallas, the dry cleaner was first introduced last September. There now are 14 of them in use, all in coin-op laundries. The machine has two nine-pound cylinders operating independently of each other, needs no boiler and requires only 220-volt wiring, plus venting. It will handle any dry-cleanable item, although styrene buttons must be removed first and users are advised to fold the items and press them at home with an iron.

There were plenty of other exhibits at the Chicago show—at least 800 of them. Originally geared only to the commercial launderer, this year the show played heavily to the coin-up industry.

Temco Aircraft Corp., for instance, introduced a central control for coin-ops. The system will operate up to 48 washers and 20 dryers from one central location. Coins are fed into the master control panel, which in turn activates the machines. Money drops into a tamperproof safe bolted to the floor.

The system, which Temco tested in Dallas for two years before showing at the exhibit, sells for about \$2,000.

Forse Corp., a major maker of commercial laundry equipment, popped into the coin-op field at the show with a double-load washer which has an 18-pound capacity.

Frigidaire's new commercial washer comes in four colors (yellow, pink, turquoise and white) and completes its cycle in 17½ minutes, about 2½ minutes less than most other units

Marquette Appliances, Inc. of Minneapolis was at the show to sell its private labeling plan. Any distributor who buys a carload of Marquette units (90 washers) can get them under his own brand name.

Duplex of San Francisco and Hammond of Waco, Tex., both showed big-capacity (20 to 25 pounds) washer-extractor combinations.

The trend was toward bigness. Commercial washers with 20-, 25- and 40-pound capacities are no longer unusual. American Laundry Machinery Co., another big commercial manufacturer, already has pushed more than 100 40-pound units into its subsidiary Econ-O-Wash coin-ops.

All big companies were there. Maytag, Norge, Kelvinator, Speed Queen and even Motorola—not with a white goods line, but rather with its two-way communications system for delivery truck fleets. And their message was clear. It's a big year for the coin-op people.

Better Management Means Profits

Many Obstacles Block Whirlpool Importing

It wouldn't be safe for company's quality control and selling programs, the board chairman believes

But Whirlpool has offices in the Orient and Europe, mostly as "listening posts," Board Chairman Elisha Gray II told an EM Week editor in an exclusive interview on the West Coast last week. "We aren't and can't be blind to the many advances in design and manufacturing techniques originating outside this country," he stated. One day progress abroad may make possible the importing of appliances for sale under the Whirlpool label, the establishment of Whirlpool manufacturing facilities abroad, Gray indicated. In the meantime, these problems stand in the way:

Communication of ideas is difficult, Gray pointed out. "It is difficult to establish liaison between a com-pany here and one abroad with its different system of measurement and often different interpretation of design ideas. Components are the easiest to order, but even just the development of a timer across the ocean presents many problems."

Delivery dates are difficult to schedule when production lines are abroad, Gray pointed out, ". . . and the appliance business is a fast track! Quick changes in models, etc., are necessary for a manufacturer to meet unforeseen and unpredictable economic or competitive market variations. Obviously it is hard, if not impossible, to meet these changes when working across several thousands of miles.

Quality control is jeopardized when production lines are abroad-whether the appliances are being made by a foreign concern or by an American manufacturer producing there with foreign labor, Gray said. Proximity of a domestic manufacturer's production controls to the reactions of the distributors, dealers and consumers concerned with the quality of each model was indicated as a major factor. Whirl-pool's board chairman said the company has one out of 10 employees engaged in quality control.

Importing is not the answer to price in the present competitive market, and the appliance imports of other manufacturers are not presenting a problem to Whirlpool's activity, Gray concluded.

Chicago Co-op Is Buying

Better Electric Appliance Merchants, the BEAM group formed by four Chicago appliance dealers last August to co-op advertising and promotions, now has become a full-fledged buying co-op.

The four dealers operate six stores in Chicago and three suburbs. Although they are doing a substantial part of their buying through the co-op, each one of them still does his own warehousing.



QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS concerned this panel of Whirlpool air conditioner dealers in Las Vegas. On the panel were John Hines, moderator; John Jordan, Dallas; Syl Kaplan, St. Louis; Curtis Head, Abilene; Earl Duboise, Chicago; Warren Munch, New Orleans; Lou Gatlin Jr., Memphis; Wesley Edmondson.

Air Conditioning Pros Sound Off

Gathered in Las Vegas to show Whirlpool's plan for NARDAlike regional sessions on management, dealer-members of a panel gave these answers, condensed by EM Week:

"How do you establish and maintain a store identity in your newspaper advertising?"

Lou Gatlin Jr., Memphis—"We advertise unstandardized so that it immediately recognized by the public. We use white copy on black background. We want to hit the mass market with one advertisement with the name of the firm and the product for sale."

"Does the panel feel that price advertising is better than no

John Jordan, Dallas-"We never price our advertisements. We can't sell the volume of air conditioners we wish over the telephone or any other way other than getting them into the store."

Wes Edmondson, Houston—"I wonder how many of us write advertisements to wreck our competition. If a competitor advertises lower prices, you organize your thoughts to kick back."

"How do you handle the surge of installations during a heat wave? Is it better to have your own installation personnel or contract for this service?

Warren Munch, New Orleans-. The only way you can com-



Pitch on the Pitch

FULL YEAR'S PROMOTION is outlined for key dealers by Union Electric's Shel Bascomb at a dinner in St. Louis. Added attraction at the affair: EM Week's Larry Wray.

pete and take advantage of the short season is by having your own installation crew. The only way you can plan for the peak is by doing like the little squirrel does. You have a little sense in advance. Through your own people and through friends you arrange for picking up extra personnel for the summer, people interested in parttime work.'

"How do you handle the problem of sales personnel during the rush season?"

Syl Kaplan, St. Louis-"We start several months before the season to train our salesmen on room air conditioners. We know that when the season hits, we must be prepared.'

"Do you take part in, or avoid, the rat race of BTU advertising?" Edmondson—"We have all kinds of BTU's in Texas. Each dealer has his choice. If someone calls hand, I can change my hand. I believe that manufacturers could help get rid of the BTU problem by coming up with a stronger selling feature."

Duboise, Chicago—"This year I intended to go into a campaign on air conditioning from an exhaust and ventilating standpoint. Our market has a short season. If we can sell people that the units will heat in early fall and will ventilate, like pulling the smoke from a poker game, and get away from cooling as the only story . . . it will help us in our advertising."

"Do customers tend to buy highend or bargain units ahead of the season?"

Jordan-"I believe that 90 to 95% of our lay-aways, dating back to November for April delivery, will be high-end. I believe that in our market the delayed buyers are the ones looking for bargains. I think that a lot of us dealers and the factories and suppliers have lost sight of the fact that people nowadays are looking for an air conditioner that will cool perhaps three or four rooms rather than seeking three or four room units as we used to sell That was the theme drummed into about 600 key Whirlpool air conditioner dealers meeting in Las Vegas for five days

From Whirlpool executives, the dealers heard analyses of company philosophy which would back up the dealer-distributor-manufacturer relationship. Jack Sparks, vice president of the RCA-Whirlpool sales division, discussed the value of a dealer franchise, describing it as like a marriage, rewarding and profitable to both parties."
From National Sales Manager

Bill Doyle, the dealers heard that their efforts would be aided during the coming season by Whirlpool's program of models designed priced to make the dealers highly competitive, plus the backing of price protection, free flooring, sales training, new literature and a large share of the company's \$10 million advertising budget.

Four tools for profit-making were outlined as the 600 dealers were introduced to Whirlpool's merchandising plans for 1960. From J. F. Ogden they heard that Whirlpool and RCA Victor are cooperating to . . assist distributors in developing a sound core of profitable dealers through an organized retail profit management program." He pointed out that while many dealers 'do a good merchandising and personal selling job, they still end up without a satisfactory profit because little attention has been paid to the. fundamentals of good business management." To counteract this situation, Ogden announced a fourpoint program including:

A retail management manual with detailed, organized, proven programs, including essentials of profit management, planning profit, figuring break-even point, understanding financial statements, personnel selection, service, trade-ins, training salesmen, display, advertising and store identification.

Three-day management clinic to be conducted at distributors' headquarters in groups of 15.

Business management bulletins to educate dealers in management problems, with two bulletins to be issued each month. They will be . easy-to-read copy with attention getting through cartoon letter-

Analysis of a dealer's store. This step will use a "profit plan analysis book" to help the dealer analyze his operation and to show how he can put into action "specific activities for increased sales profits.

Silex Holders Okay Merger

Effective last Tuesday, The Silex Co. merged with Proctor & Schwartz, Inc., and the Proctor Electric Co. to become The Proctor-Silex Corp.

Silex stockholders gave their consent to the wedding at a vote in Hartford, Conn.

Stockholders of the other two companies, each privately held, had already voted their approval.

15th in a series of weekly Gibson messages to all appliance dealers

AIR-SWEEP! THE ONE AIR CONDITIONER **CUSTOMER-BENEFIT** YOUR PROSPECTS CAN SEE AND UNDERSTAND





No other appliances look and operate so much alike as room air conditioners. Compressor, fan, grill, cabinet, B.T.U. rating - put them all together and they spell sameness.

Not so with Gibson's exclusive Air-Sweep! Here is the one sales feature you can demonstrate - a feature your prospects can understand.

How does it work? Behind the upper grill is a series of small, upright

air-moving fins, silently, automatically powered by a rugged aircraft-type motor. Push the Air-Sweep switch clean, cool air is wafted back and forth, across the room every 5 seconds.

Your prospects can see these fins in motion, see how they produce 30% more effective cooling, end drafts and hot spots.

How do you demonstrate it? Turn it on, your prospects can see Air-Sweep, they can also hear the Air-Sweep story by means of a startling new stereo demonstration record provided by Gibson. An actual audio presentation of Air-Sweep - the voice and music on the record

follow the air as it gently sweeps back and forth across the room. Play this record on any stereo equipment you feature - your customers will see and hear, and buy the exciting Air-Sweep feature. (Gives your stereo sales a nice boost too!)

> Extra Sales closers 115 v plug-in, normally no special wiring required. Permachem filter kills over 99% of all air-borne germs trapped. Automatic Thermostat. Super-quiet 2-speed fan with blower wheel. 20% more coil and condenser area - compressor operates cooler, draws less wattage. Acoustical insulation assures whisper-quiet operation.

> Profit Protection Air-Sweep is an exclusive patented Gibson feature - there isn't any other window unit like it on the market. No one can shop your price down because Air-Sweep is available only in a Gibson and only at your price!

> For high-gross, year around air conditioner business, sell the complete Gibson line.



get going...get IIII

By Electro-Voice, Inc.

Electro-Voice, Inc., well-known electronic components manufactur-er of Buchanan, Mich., last week entered the growing electronic organ market. The company let it be known it was looking for dealers interested in a high-grade fran-

Initial offerings in what the com-pany hopes will become a long line of organs are the "Baron" and "Baroness," with suggested list prices, respectively of \$555 and \$455. Said President Albert Kahn:

"We are already far along in our development of instruments that could completely revolutionize the market for commercial, professional and church grade electronic organs. We anticipate having the first of these units available next year. In the meantime, we'll be building and refining our distribution organization to assure our customers of the sales and service facilities available from any manufacturer."

Sales to dealers will be made direct from the manufacturer, said Lawrence LeKashman, vice president, sales. Among the novel features of the new organs are a switch which converts the keyboard into a chord organ for novice musicians, and cabinets in oiled walnut, fruitwood and mahogany, designed by Paul McCobb.

Organ Line Unveiled | There's a Spark of Life In the Old 'Two-Fer' Yet

Plenty of dealers are finding they still work to move home laundry equipment

No one was certain who resurrected the idea this time-Maytag thought it might have been a dealer in Baton Rouge. But by last week at least 100 stores throughout the country had tried two-for-one deals of their own.

And with home laundry appliance sales lagging (January factory sales down 8% from December, and 10% from January, 1959) it wasn't surprising that more and more dealers were hopping on the bandwagon.

Wherever the gimmick was tried in Little Rock, in Waukegan, Ill., in Bridgeport, Conn.,—it seemed to be clicking.

Maytag dealers, for example, in a number of cases were offering the model 160 single-control plus a low-end dryer for \$409.95the price of the washer alone.

"Maybe a hundred of our dealers have tried it so far and it's really snowballing," a Maytag official ad-

One Chicago area dealer tried a

"two-fer" sale and moved 124 units in less than a week—101 of those units over a weekend. In only two cases did the customer actually take the low-end dryer with the high-end washer though. Generally, they paid another \$99 and got the dryer matched the single-control

Norge dealers in Little Rock were offering a two-for-one package of their own. It worked like this:

Customers could buy a gas dryer (\$149 with a special promotional coupon) and the AWE-602 washer (open list) both for \$189 to \$199.

About 20 Little Rock area Norge dealers were involved initially, and more jumped in once the idea took

Companies were warning their deal-

ers about two key points, though:
1. Don't use the word "free" when you advertise your 'two-fer' sales.

(FTC regulations.)

2. If you do offer a low-end dryer with a high-end washer, make sure you have some of the low-end dryers in stock. As the Chicago area dealer learned, there are a few people who will take the deal just as vou've advertised it.

Westinghouse Eyes Middle East

Westinghouse asked a convention of distributors from 11 Middle Eastern countries to "grow." The company thinks they will

Beirut, Lebanon (McGraw-Hill World News)—Westinghouse planted a tree in this city near where the fabled cedars stood. And the appliance company hopes its business in the Middle East will grow with it. The symbolism marked the consumer product sales convention here, the first ever held by Westinghouse in the Middle East.

The company sent a team from Westinghouse Electric International Company's New York headquarters to cover the whole 1960 line. They distributors briefed the

year's advertising program with special emphasis on sales promo-tion, a problem for Middle Eastern appliance distributors and dealers.

Westinghouse officials told EM Week that for the past several years the Middle East had been one of the better markets for U. S. appli-Westinghouse volume has ances. been increasing yearly in the Mid-east and North Africa and the upward trend was expected to con-

Iraq and Lebanon, where revolutions and civil strife made them

of 1959, have lately become "live" sales sources again, according to J. B. Deacon, director, consumer products sales division. In Iran, where Westinghouse has

50% of the market, it is striving to maintain its sales position in the face of import restrictions and competition from West German and Japanese concerns.

inactive markets in 1958 and part

With Deacon were A. B. McCloskey, vice president, marketing; E. W. B. Lewis, treasurer; J. A. Jaeger, director of sales promotion and advertising.

Mideast distributors saw for the first time the RC-5 heavy-duty commercial Laundromat, designed for halfhour laundry and apartment use throughout the world. This was the first distributor con-

vention to see the Waring Blendors, which Westinghouse is marketing abroad for Waring Products Corp. Fifty wives of Beirut notables were invited to the convention head-quarters at the St. George's Hotel.

The convention also viewed a film demonstrating a new type of export appliance packing. Developed by Westinghouse packing engineers, the method is expected to reduce the possibility of damage in transit for appliances shipped overseas.

Coinciding with the convention, Westinghouse's distributor in Leb-anon, "Etablissements A. R. Diab," unveiled a unique promotion campaign to increase store traffic. A truck laden with 28 give-away appliances toured Beirut handing out lottery tickets. They contained a questionnaire which must be brought to the store filled out with information on what appliances the ticket-holder owns, and what he plans to own.

Chicago's Icy Winds Howled in the Streets

But indoors, distributors of Maytag commercial laundry equipment heard some warm words of praise while meeting in the Windy City

It was the group's second annual convention-the first held away from Newton, Iowa,—and it brought 27 distributors to Chicago's plush Ambassador Hotel. One distributor wisely, perhaps, in view of the veather—stayed home in sunny weather-Hawaii.

And this is what they were told:

More than 40,000 commercial laundry units have been sold since Maytag plunged into the hotly competitive field 18 months ago.

There were 1,993 Maytag coin-op laundries on Jan. 1, and they're opening at the rate of 200 a month.

Here's what 1960 will bring: "We'll be selling to motels," Ivan Ingersoll, commercial laundry sales coordinator, told the distributors. A big "sell to motels" campaign will kick off in late spring. The coin-op units will be plugged as a convenience to motel guests, rather than as a profit-maker for the motel owner, and owners who do buy the units will display "We Feature Maytag for Guest Use" signs and billboards.

Advertising will be expanded this year, Maytag ad manager Ralph Nunn told the group. The emphasis will be on profit-potential and the ads will stress "make big money in your spare time," and "for small investors—outstanding profits." The campaign will extend from the "Wall Street Journal" and "Barron's" magazine, to the Lions' and Elks' fraternal magazines, to business papers covering the laundry, dry cleaning and mobile home fields

Maytag also showed its distributors package which includes every thing an owner needs to give his coin-op a splashy grand opening. The package, for instance, has store decorations, two gross of balloons, 100 feet of pennants, 150 pot holders for give-aways and a complete set of instructions.

Retail appliance dealers weren't completely forgotten at the convention. Most of the distributors admitted there were at least four ways a Maytag dealer could fit into the commercial laundry picture.

Most distributors, for instance, pay commissions (usually 1 to 5%) to dealers for bona fide leads.

Some distributors will even sell a small number of commercial units to dealers for resale to non-coin-op ventures such as motels, homes for the aged, etc.

There's a good chance the local dealer can handle all servicing for the coin-op once the original installation has been made.

Finally, a number of dealers have opened their own coin-ops.

Capping the convention was the presentation of the Fred Maytag Traveling Trophy to the distributor rated highest in "outstanding performance and customer service" in The winner: Morris Equipment & Supply Co., Springfield, Mo.



SERVICE PIN for Kamil Hasso is pinned on the Iranian Westinghouse distributor by A. B. McCloskey, Westinghouse Electric International vice president, to honor him for 40 years of service to company. Hasso also received a gold watch during the convention in Beirut of distributors from throughout the Middle East. J. B. Deacon, director of the consumer products sales division, seems right at home, dressed in Arab Bedouin headdress.

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How BIG Is the 19-Inch Tube?

Abrams, who says that Dumont is coming out with a 19-incher next month and that Emerson will have one of its own a little later, doesn't believe that the new tube size will have any material effect on the 17's. But it will curtail sales in the 21inch models.

People will buy either 19- or 23inch sets," predicted Abrams, "and in a year from now most manufacturers will be inclined to drop the 21-inch models."

Admiral sprang its 19-inch tube last week under warm, sunny conditions in Miami Beach and Las Vegas at special distributor meetings which EM Week covered.

While the rest of the industry worked on versions of the 19-incher, Ross Siragussa Jr., company vice president, sped from Florida to Nevada to tell distributors that Admiral was "solidly in third place in the television industry and pushing hard for the number two position.

In the plush Fontainebleau on Miami Beach and sprawling Riviera Vegas, distributors took a hard look at the new set and wondered, just as everyone else was, where the 19-inch tube will fit in.

The educated guess at Sylvania, which may be first with a bondedshield 19-inch table model (Admiral's set is non-bonded), is that the 19-inch table model may replace its bigger brother, the 21-incher.

"Right now, this is anybody's guess," said Edward Taylor, Motorola's executive vice president of consumer products. "I don't think the 23-inch set has cut out the 21. There's a price difference between the 19's and 17's, and perhaps the eventually will be limited to portables."

RCA also believes that the 23-inch model will outsell 21's despite the higher price.

Here's the way G-E looks at the developing market: The 21-incher will probably become the price leader with 23-inch sets coming on as higher priced step-up models. The 17-inch set will not be relegated to a price leader and may become the standard in portables. And the 19-inch set will be a step into table models.



INTRODUCING THE 19-INCHERS at Admiral's Miami distributor show is A. A. Medica, TV sales manager. Helpers: Five of the sets and two lovely models.

At Zenith, Vice President Clifford Hunt predicted that the 19-inch set will become the top-end of the portable line, 17-inchers the low-end.

But whatever the opinion, there was enthusiasm.
"We're excited," snapped Taylor.

"Obsolescense is here and it will help in marketing. It's something

And Hunt gave the new tube pat on the back. "The 19-inch model will enable dealers to sell up," he "and establish higher explained, levels as the 21 is doing for 23's."

A note of caution, however, was

introduced by one industry official.
"Off the record," he said, "there's bound to be some confusion with this new set when it goes on the market, but a great deal depends on dealers. If they sell one set against another instead of stepping up then there's going to be difficulty.

Admiral was off and running with enthusiasm, of course. The new set shapes up this way: portables in four series, 10 finishes; and consolettes in two series, three numbers.

The features: 114-degree deflection systems, space economy, transfor-mer-powered chassis in all but a leader, remote tuning improved by addition of on-off controls, a noise rejection device and 10% larger picture over the 17's.

The prices: The 19's begin at an Eastern list of \$169.95 (South and West add \$10). For the leader, the Thinman, which like the other nine portables, comes within an ace of the cabinet dimensions of last year's 17's, the stepup is to \$179.95, for a leatherette finish.

The next series, Vanguard, has three two-tone decorator styled models at \$179.95 and \$189.95.

Here's where the transformer-powered chassis comes in. For another \$40, the customer can get the transistorized remote control unit.

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The spread in the three model Son-R equipped Diplomat series is \$229.95 to \$249.95; while topping the portable line are Aristocrat models in two leatherette colors, each for \$259.95.

Thinnest (at 11-11/16 inches) of all the new 19's are the wood cabinet consoles. Mahogany is \$199.95 in two-model Regent series; blond, \$209.95. The single Princess console and an American Colonial piece in fruitwood are \$219.95.

Perhaps anticipating a future fuss over bonded and non-bonded tubes, Admiral points out that its non-bonded 19-inchers are lighter by 3 to 31/2 pounds over a bonded brother. And for Admiral at least, that carries weight. Major tube supplier: National Video.

And there's more bargain for dealers in the 19's although the tube costs more than the 17 and the deflection system is more expensive. For the most part, Admiral says it is passing these costs on to the customer

With the transistorized remote control amplifier, Admiral owners can twirl the dial with a flourish. The viewer can turn the set on or off. change stations and adjust volume to three levels without stirring from his chair. And a new electro-mechanical noise rejector accepts signals only from the hand unit, which contains no wires, tubes, transistors or bat-

One thing the remote won't do: Turn off the housecurrent. But Admiral claims the flowing housecurrent will cost the customer only 25 cents a year.

The company is not talking about what's inside that remote unit, but some observers guess that it's a tuning fork.

Another highlight Admiral's offering is an optional earphone or pillow speaker in its deluxe portable model. Kits for the pillow speaker have a 20-foot cord.

And the company is offering a variety of bases. Available option-ally are Danish lowboys, bases on casters and tea carts.



. . . at the Admiral kick-offs in Miami and Vegas. Leading the list was a new chest freeze—model 16HF30.

The Admiral distributors couldn't wait to get this one into the field where it can be promoted for \$199.95, plus delivery and service. That's the price Admiral will jump into national advertising with.

The blue-gasketed leader has a lid liner to match, a snow white interior, a basket, divider and lock. Admiral left little doubt as to the

prime target of this one. From the 16HF30, dealers will step to the 16HF40, another chest. List on this one, \$249.95, including delivery and service.

Thin-wall insulation gives both boxes the same outer dimensions as 1959's 13-footers.

Final new freezer is the 16VF40. 16-gross-foot upright with blue interior, four food shelves, five door a lock-and suggested list of \$249.95.

A nine-footer for \$166.67 leads Admiral's 1960 refrigerator line, which includes a 14-foot, two-door box for \$279.95, and a pair of dual-

Twelve new transistor radios in half-a-dozen series also caught the distributors' fancies. Again, a hot price led things off—in this case \$29.95 for all three colors in the

seven-transistor Spartan series. Behind the entire new line, Carl Lantz, president of Admiral Sales Corp., happily pointed out, will be a heavy national magazine schedule, breaking April 7, and a major market newspaper drive.



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Are Electric Ranges Closing Gap?

They are coming closer to a 1-to-1 parity with gas, NEMA's electric range section says

The gap between sales of gas and electric ranges is rapidly narrowing, the group said in a report last week. And the "magic" one-to-one sales ratio is fast approaching.

The ratio stands at 1.24-to-one, based on figures for 1959 factory shipments. Compare that ratio with the 1.40-to-one for 1958 and the 1.46-to-one for 1957, and you can see the old squeeze going into effect, the NEMA section explained.

The competitive picture, seen through the range group's glasses, looks like this: Things are rosy with free-standing models, which represent over 70% of all ranges sold. The ratio of gas to electric is 1.85-to-one, a gain over the 2.06-to-one figure for 1958. "And it is in this area that the electric range is most likely to pick up momentum to reach one-to-one," the report said.

But the built-in outlook isn't so promising, according to the NEMA group. Electric ranges held a 2.08-to-one advantage over gas in 1959, but that ratio was down from 1958's 2.35-to-one. Built-ins "may well represent a trend which bears care-

ful watching," the report warned.

The group's forecast for 1960 was optimistic: 1,750,000 electric range shipments. The guess is based mainly on last year's gains over 1958: A 14.8% increase in free-standing shipments and a 37.8% gain in built-in shipments.

CORRECTION

Admiral Sales Corp. canvassed 500 dealers throughout the nation to determine the state of business, not 50 as reported last week (EM Week, Feb. 29, page 2) because of a typographical error.

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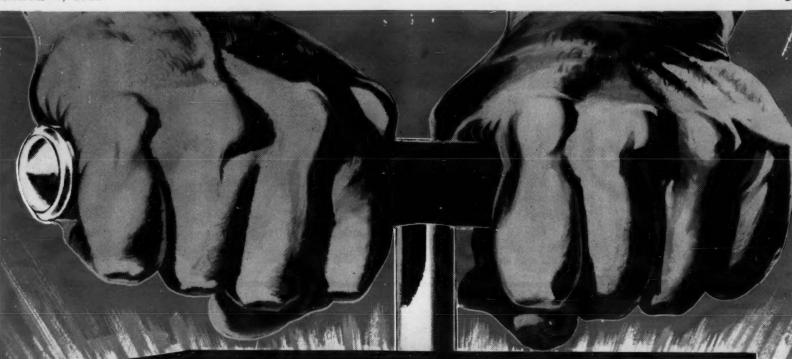


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BROCKWELL says

'Keep Price Lists Up to Date'

To minimize unnecessary delays in completing repairs—delays which invariably follow errors in ordering materials—a servicing dealer's parts catalogs and corresponding price lists should always be complete and up to date. The catalogs are in-

dispensable for determining the correct name and item number of repair parts; the price lists, in addition to their primary function of telling the dealer what the price of an item is, serve as a guide to parts supersedures.

A serviceman who gropes with in-complete or outdated catalogs and price lists is likely to incur unnecessary costs and customer ill will at an alarming rate. For example, if the repairer does not discover an error in ordering parts for a spe-cific job until he attempts to install them on an appliance in the field, his customer's impatience with the initial delay can justifiably turn into rancor as a second wait looms. And the extra, unnecessary (free) service call is costly enough, but you pay three times as much in shipping charges when your repairman exchanges an item ordered in error. A few such incidents each month can put a service department in the red.

Some appliance manufacturers and their area parts wholesalers will

supply their authorized servicing dealers, after they've bought basic catalogs, with supplementary catalog sheets and revised price lists on a subscription basis. The nominal charge they make for this service can be offset usually by the elimination of one error in ordering materials.

But rarely, if ever, is such an ideal catalog-updating service available for every product a dealer repairs. Then, too, some of the supplements get lost in the shuffle, especially if the repairman does not fasten them into his binder immediately on receiving them in the morning's flood of mail which inundates businesses.

It's a good idea, therefore, to have your serviceman take an hour or so now and then and go over his catalogs and price lists and order any needed sheets immediately. Insist that he keep those books up to date thereafter.

While you're about it, it's a good idea also to get one extra set of catalogs and price lists—unless you already have them—for the office. They'll be handy for your bookkeeper when he costs repairwork sales slips and checks parts prices on invoices.

There's another reason, profitwise, for having parts catalogs in the office. But that's another story. Watch for it in a later issue.

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WASTE KING UNIVERSAL Correction

In our February 1 issue the illustration of Waste King's new "Z" water distributor appeared upside-down. Here's how this new system of water distribution actually looks in operation, right-side-up.



Ralph Crancer is a licensed private pilot with about 500 hours to his credit. He's also a franchised Frigidaire dealer—President of South Side Furniture Co., St. Louis—with about 13 years to his credit. Frigidaire impresses Ralph this way:

"Frigidaire owners are my best salesmen"

"When I sell a Frigidaire product, the customer almost always sends somebody else to see me. That means a really hot prospect.

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IDEA DIGEST

Good ideas don't always come easily, but when they do a little initiative on your part can make them prime business builders. Here are four which were successful for their originators.



Babysitting TV sets in the off-season helps to take up summertime slack at Salon of Music, Palm Beach, Fla. Owner Bill Feek discovered that excessive humidity was playing havoc with his migrating customers' idle TV sets during the long, hot summers. Hardest hit: horizontal output transformers.

So Feek enclosed a 25x40-foot space in his

so Feek enclosed a 25x40-foot space in his warehouse, air-conditioned it with a single one-ton window unit, and went into the profit-able electronics storage business. His rates (including pick-up, storage up to a year, check-out, labor for minor repairs and delivery): Black-and-white TV, \$40; color, \$55; hi-fi consoles or components, \$45. Here, service-warehouse manager Jim Holway checks the stored units, which are tightly covered with heavy wrapping paper.

Fishbowl full of "meter money" buys goodwill, keeps customers coming back to Hopkins-Smith, Inc., Hollywood and Ft. Lauderdale, Fla. Here's an example of a company doing a \$2 million volume, who thinks pennies are important.





Luau lured Los Angeles ladies to a Department of Water and Power program. Once there, they attacked a lavish Hawaiian feast with their fingers, gyrated in a "housewives hula," and learned about the contrast between the traditional Hawaiian method of cooking food in smoldering pits and the modern, fast, clean, electrical way of doing it.

The program was one of a series put on by the department in an attempt to get closer to its customers. It had always had trouble reaching them because Los Angeles is so spread out, and its shopping areas are decentralized. There just wasn't any place to get a large group of women together.

The department worked a deal with the city's Department of Recreation and Parks to set up the series of joint programs at city recreation centers.

City home economists arranged the details. They usually asked someone from one of the homemaking arts fields to be guest speaker. Often, local merchants loaned equipment.

Los Angeles newspapers gave the series quite a bit of publicity—even "front-page" space. In almost every case, they used pictures.

So far, response has been great, according to the department. Telephone calls asking about equipment and other programs have been pouring in.

In the top picture, above, home economist Patricia Feagans, second from the right, shows housewives how appetizing a frozen water-melon shell punch bowl filled with refreshing fruit juices can look.

In the bottom picture, a few of the ladies get into the act as Cissy Lani, far left, gives them a quick lesson in the language of the islands.



"Haul it yourself," is the byword at Electric Appliance Co., Augusta, Ga. Partner Jim Davidson calls the used semi-trailer the company bought and put into operation for about \$1,000 "our best investment."

Electric Appliance saves several thousand dollars a year in freight charges by trucking merchandise the 180 miles from its Atlanta distributor.

How? Take one example: Commercial carrier

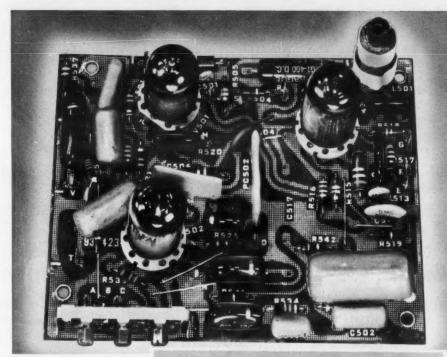
charges on a load of 20 refrigerators would come to about \$140. The truck hauls the same load for \$22 round trip—including gas, oil, driver's lunch and cost of insurance.

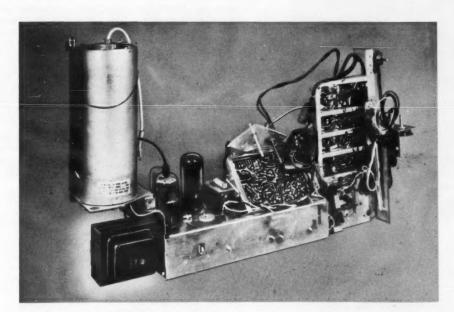
Other uses for the truck: To pick up used appliances bought in job lots within a 200-mile radius; to unload freight cars from the factory; to haul furniture; and to shuffle merchandise around among the two Electric Appliance stores and bonded warehouse.

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Every new RCA VICTOR TV set has all these quality features:

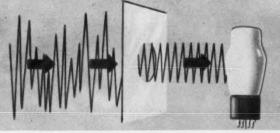
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greater sharpness and sparkle. Chassis design makes servicing fast, uncomplicated. These RCA Victor TV sets offer truly new high standards of performance.



New Tube Quard protects against tube-killing power blast when set is turned on, the main cause of TV failure. Every tube, including picture tube, warms up gradually and safely—lasts longer.



New high voltages (20,000 volts in many models) step up picture brightness and contrast. New Clarity Control on all Deluxe models greatly reduces "snow" and "phost" effects.



New Chemical Fuse gives complete protection, yet doesn't blow from non-dangerous momentary overloads that open ordinary fuses.



THE MOST TRUSTED NAME IN ELECTRONICS

These and a dozen other reliability features are built into every 1960 RCA Victor TV set. No wonder RCA Victor is setting the pace for reliability and performance in the television industry, assuring you that every RCA Victor TV set is built to satisfy customers every time!

TODAY, California . . .

TOMORROW, the Nation! That's the intention of this Los Angeles service contractor who has hit pay dirt going after warranty gold. He's . . .

The Man Who Wants To Service Your Market



PRESENT AND PROJECTED ACTIVITIES of 30-year-old Edward M. Mayers, above, president of Abbot Appliance Service Co., Los Angeles, are coded on this map in his office. Meteoric rise in two years from manager of manufacturer's service department to operator of contract service in seven California cities has encouraged Mayers to look to broader horizons.



SCIENTIFIC DISPATCHING is necessary in the complex metropolitan areas served by Abbot and its branches. At Los Angeles main office, above, all calls are charted when received, using a huge street map covering the wall. Different colors and numbers are used to identify each driver and the day of the week. Men can be scheduled visually, days ahead if necessary, and it is easier to anticipate possible overloading in one area in time to assign another man and truck.

If you should see an Abbot Appliance Service Co. truck scooting through an Illinois, Carolina or Maine suburb sometime soon, don't be too surprised. It will just mean that the Los Angeles service whiz kid, Edward M. Mayers, has moved in again.

Mayers is an appliance service contractor and service franchise lessor who has parlayed his experience, and his complete confidence in the industry's need for his service, from manager of a manufacturer's service department two years ago to the presidency of a company that either operates or leases appliance service contract operations in seven California cities.

Behind Mayers' success is his skill in solving a problem of recent vintage—the need for warranty service. Says a spokesman for Abbot Service: "In-warranty service had become increasingly important to manufacturers since the advent of the 'discount house.' Reputable dealers of the past, in a seller's market and with a comfortable margin of profit, could afford to back up the factory guarantee. The 'discount house' can't or won't, and the corner 'fixit' man is no longer adequate. Appliances are too complex. Functional defects in the first year are frequent enough to make warranties imperative."

Abbot Service has contracts with Crane, Continental, Gaffers & Sattler, Mission, Mowen, Nat. Water Heater, Palmer, Tappan and Utility to relieve them of all the responsibility for delivery, installation and in-warranty service. One of two types of contracts is made with the manufacturers:

 One method is to base payment to Abbot on a "per call basis" for every warranty call.

• The other method is a "blanket agreement" in which Abbot agrees to handle the manufacturer's total volume of warranty for a fixed yearly sum. The manufacturer makes an estimate of his market for the coming year, contracts with Abbot to handle the warranty service for the number of appliances he expects will need service. Abbot charges him about \$6.00 per call. The manufacturer may contract for and pay for 1,000 calls and use 500 or 1,500. Mayers gambles that the manufacturer is likely to overestimate his service needs, because it will cost Abbot Service about \$7.50 to put the serviceman at the customer's door. Mayers gives the manufacturer a 90-day guarantee and does not charge for call backs.

In addition Abbot Appliance is gradually developing in each location a large volume of out-of-warranty service which includes repairs of refrigeration and laundry equipment. Today this amounts to 40% of the company's volume. Each year, as more of the appliances Abbot has been servicing for the manufacturers go out of warranty, paid service is expected to increase the company's total volume.



PUNCH CARD MACHINES enable minimum staff to provide maximum control over every phase of Abbot's service. Machines, above, are used to handle invoicing, perpetual inventory, daily volume analysis, and many other tasks that add to company's efficiency but which would not be practical by hand computing.



RADIO OPERATION links Abbot headquarters and all Los Angeles branches with all service trucks in the field through this central communication desk. A phone call to any Abbot branch automatically is relayed to this board where call is assigned over radio or sent to dispatching. These girls handle about 2,500 calls a month.

To provide this service, in and out of warranty, Mayers relies on full use of automation. Key to the Abbot operation is the handling of 85% of its paper work on IBM punch card tabulating equipment.

Invoicing for all units of the company is handled on punch cards, which allocate the charge to the account of a manufacturer who is on a blanket contract, bill the manufacturer who has a per call contract, bill the customer if it is an out-of-warranty call, take care of inter-branch billing or credit involved in the call.

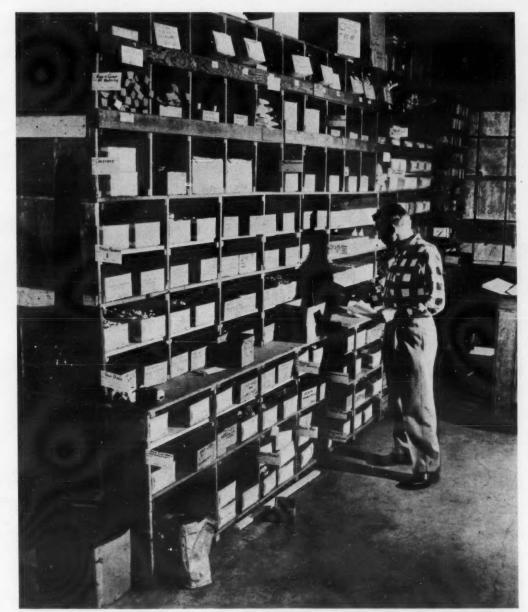
billing or credit involved in the call.

But that's not all the electronic "brain" does for Abbot. In fact, that's only the beginning, the basic job. Here's a rundown on some of the "extras" that Mayers uses his IBM equipment for:

- Inventory control is adjusted for Abbot's main warehouse and for the branches' limited stocks as the punch card for each call is processed.
- Information from the punched cards is used to provide a daily report for Mayers showing the volume in dollars and in calls for both warranty and out-of-warranty service. These figures go onto a chart on Mayer's office wall.
- As the cards are processed they produce a record of the calls by the areas in which Abbot Service operates, enabling Mayers to determine the need for increasing, decreasing or shifting equipment or personnel.
- A service for his manufacturer customers also comes off the cards as they are processed—an accurate report of parts failures based on dayto-day warranty calls, enabling the manufacturer to correct many warranty service problems before the products leave the factory.

As a basis for expansion, Ed Mayers has been relying on franchised branches. Each operates under the Abbot name with Abbot trained personnel. The manager, or lessee, operates the branch, has a full-time telephone-radio operator and order taker, plus at least three radio-equipped trucks with Abbot trained driver-servicemen. Each branch stocks about \$20,000 (retail) worth of parts with an additional \$3,500 worth on each truck.

Each Abbot branch operation automatically acquires the in-warranty business on the products sold in its territory by the manufacturers with whom Abbot central has contracts. Each branch operates independently in procuring outof-warranty business, but its inventory and invoicing is controlled by the IBM equipment in the Abbot central office.



PARTS WORTH \$250,000 are stocked at Abbot Appliance Service central warehouse to supply its own and franchised repair operations. Perpetual inventory, tabulated job to job by IBM punch cards, plus elaborate coding system, keeps millions of parts adequate and active. Each branch keeps a stock of about \$20,000 worth of parts on hand. And there's an additional \$3,500 worth on each truck. Continued on next page

THE MAN WHO WANTS TO SERVICE YOUR MARKET CONTINUED



INVENTORY OF PARTS, including these gas range panels, is supplied Abbot Service according to anticipated warranty calls—a figure Abbot helps manufacturers determine through IBM analysis of calls. These parts may be owned by Abbot Service, or they may be on consignment from manufacturers, depending on individual contracts. Other stock, particularly refrigeration and laundry parts, is owned by Abbot's for company's out-of-warranty work.



ONE STOP SERVICING is sought by Abbot's. At 7 a.m., driver-servicemen report, get calls and routing from dispatcher. Next step, above, is to analyze the exact nature of the day's calls. If any of the jobs look as if they might require parts other than those normally carried in the truck's \$3,500 inventory, the men draw them from the branch's stock. Then, they're off in their trucks, ready to meet the day's service demands with maximum efficiency.

Mayers Aims at Expansion with Leased Mobile Shops

A "mobile service shop" equipped to handle any kind of gas or electric appliance repair at the home is being tested by Abbot Appliance Co. at its San Diego branch. Ed Mayers plans to lease these trucks to experienced servicemen under franchise for protected areas.

The "mobile shops" are trucks with 10-foot walk-in bodies. Speedy service calls are facilitated by two-way radios in the trucks. And the "shops" are literally ready for anything. They

sport such equipment as an electric generator, drill press, grinder, freon for refrigerators and washing machine transmissions.

The mobile shop is leased on the following basis, says Abbot Appliance Service: the lessee invests \$4,000, the cost of the inventory on his truck; he replenishes his stock from the nearest Abbot warehouse; all accounting procedures, inventory control, and billing is handled through the IBM punch card system at Abbot central

office. The lessee pays \$300 a month for rental of the truck plus \$2.50 each for the eight service calls a day which Abbot Service guarantees him. A spokesman for Abbot Appliance Service claims that the serviceman leasing such a mobile service shop can gross \$160 a day from the eight calls, with each call bringing in \$10 plus about \$10 from parts sold. On this basis, the company states, a lessee can clear \$1,000 in a 22-day working month.





TEST MODEL OF MOBILE SERVICE SHOP designed by Abbot Appliance Co. for lease-franchising to servicemen is two-way radio-equipped truck with 10-ft. walk-in body.

EQUIPPED WITH ELECTRIC GENERATOR, drill press, grinder, test equipment, freon for refrigerators, washing machine transmissions, etc., the truck has been developed under the supervision of Dell Oliver, left, manager of Appliance Service Co. in San Diego.

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Victor Scalzo, Danbury Refrigeration, considers refrigerators vital to his profit structure. So he doesn't take them for granted. He has developed a sure-fire formula for selling themand when you examine that formula as outlined on these pages you'll discover that . . .

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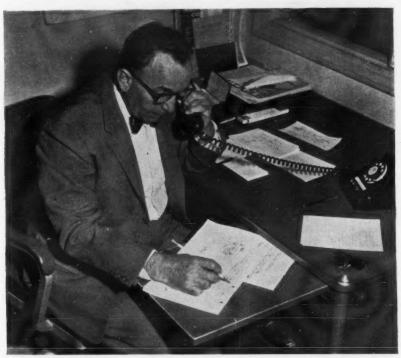
Reasons Why This Dealer Sells 300

Refrigerators A Year

By JOHN A. RICHARDS



ONE FOR EFFECTIVE DISPLAY, says Scalzo, keep doors of some refrigerators open.



FOUR PERSONAL CONTROL over service is vital, keeps Scalzo on phone seven hours a day.

The first reason is display.

You can't walk into Danbury Refrigeration, Inc., Danbury, Conn., without bumping into a refrigerator. Owner Victor Scalzo keeps 18 on the salesfloor at all times.

There are 12 single-door units, four two-door jobs with freezers on the top, and two with bottom freezers. Five colored refrigerators—in charcoal, pink, copper, turquoise and yellow, are spotted among this massive cluster. They're all lined up in two aisles to occupy about one-third of a 36x60-foot showroom. Two of them stand like showroom sentinels, guarding each of two separate entrances.

These refrigerators range in size from 9 to 15 cubic feet, list for from \$200 to \$700. Most of Scalzo's 300 sales are in the \$300 to \$400 range. The bulk of them are Frigidaire.

"Just lining up refrigerators in two rows, like soldiers," says Scalzo, "won't do the trick."

He opens the doors on two bottom freezer units and two top freezer units. Ice cubes and a mass of food in storage become visible, tell their own story.

The second reason—live demonstrations.

"Four of these units are in full operation. We

not only talk features," he says. "We show them at work. Also, notice that we tag all our merchandise. We use list prices to start with. Every sale is handled independently after that."

And any quoting is based on the fact that Scalzo buys carload. Further, any quoting takes into account one important factor: The existence or absence of a trade.

Scalzo determines at once if a trade is involved in any sale, and if caught in a quick quote will assume a trade is involved. That cushions the firm against a customer turning around after a competitive quote and saying: "What's my price with a trade?"

A simple formula sidetracks any such forays for bigger discounts. The firm discounts about 20% off list when a customer offers a trade; 15% off list without a trade.

The third reason is service.

It clicks for Scalzo because of his basic credo. "We strive to make friends through service," he says, "so that eventually it brings us sales."

It's the way he does it that pays off. For one thing he has three white goods servicemen operating three trucks in the field. In addition, he has two delivery men. This crew services within 20 miles of Danbury, where something like 40,000 people cluster in surrounding towns. His field men average eight to 10 calls a day. Charges run \$5 the first hour, plus parts, \$1 for every 15 minutes thereafter He has a parts department that runs to \$10,000 in inventory. Thus, his field men can tackle common and specialized refrigerator complaints the first time they make a call.

A fourth reason is personal service supervision. Scalzo himself operates a virtual command post for service. He estimates he's on the phone at least seven hours a day. As dispatcher and sponge for complaints, he exercises unique control over every service call.

"You've got to have a man who understands service at the service desk," he argues. "If I can prevent a foolish and unnecessary call it does two things. First, it saves a customer money, and he won't forget it. Second, it makes my own organization more efficient, and saves me money. Since we offer one-year service in our pricing structure, we've got to be careful that warranty service doesn't bleed us white. And it can. That's one reason why I maintain tight control over the service phone."



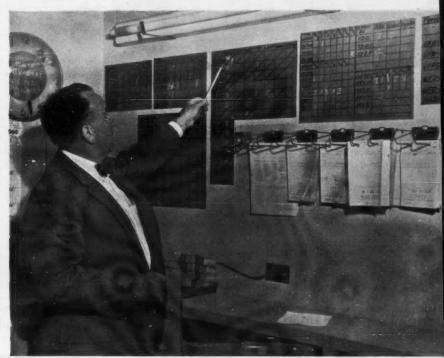
TWO TO LEND REALISM to sales pitch, four refrigerators are kept fully stocked.



THREE KEY TO GOOD SERVICE is adequate parts inventory, according to owner Scalzo.



FIVE FIRST STEP in handling trades is to determine which are worth reconditioning.



SIX SIMPLE RECORDS enable Scalzo to give immediate answer on delivery dates and times.

There's a second big reason why Scalzo himself handles the phone. By doing so, he can assign priorities to the calls.

"Do you have to have this done right away? Can you wait until I have a man near your area?" Those are standard queries.

"I'm not bashful about asking customers such questions," he says. "It keeps my drivers from duplicating routes, and still maintains our reputation for giving 24-hour service. I can also give a priority to a woman with three children over someone else who's in less of a hurry; or even to a dryer call over a refrigerator call without hurting my refrigerator business."

The phone technique can be utilized for two additional areas of efficient management. One, Scalzo can readily determine over the phone if the customer bought the unit elsewhere. Immediately he knows whether he'll bill or insist on C.O.D. (He bills only known purchasers). Two,

he can eliminate careless expenses.

"On every call," says Scalzo, "I get a complete history—name, address, phone number, model number of refrigerator, nature of the trouble. That way we don't send a man out with the wrong parts, which saves us expensive callbacks," he points out.

A fifth reason is his used refrigerator department. Scalzo makes no allowance distinction on trade-ins and so acquires refrigerators of all types. At the time of sale he gets a history on the unit to help determine its eventual disposition. Many are shunted to the warehouse, their doors removed, and sent off to the junk heap. If it can be resold, it goes to the shop to be tested for running time, temperature and efficiency. Some merely need touch-up and cleaning. These are sold for from \$40 to \$60. Later models can be spray-painted and sold for as much as \$100. There are at least a dozen second-hand refrigerators on display in the used refrigerator department at all times.

The department keeps customers coming back for second units for summer cottages, for basements and the like. It also is a means to step customers up to new refrigerators.

A final reason is tight control over inventory and dispatching. From his service command post, Scalzo can keep a tight rein on inventory and on routing deliveries. These records are so simple that anyone can take over the job at any time.

It's three steps from his service phone to a

dispatch table. Above the table are these names: New Fairfield, New Milford, Newtown, Bethel, Danbury, Redding, Ridgefield and Brookfield. Under each heading are piled the daily deliveries, arranged in sequence to start at 8 a.m. An arm's length away, across the room, is a wall chart, listing every refrigerator Scalzo carries. The chart is red and black and is a box score on everything, down to colors, right and left hand door, total pieces on hand, etc. Hanging on separate clipboards below this chart are records of each refrigerator in the warehouse. Three sheets are made out in triplicate and are even arranged in the same sequence as the units are stored in the warehouse.

units are stored in the warehouse.
"In other words," says Scalzo, "we need only look at the chart and we know exactly where a refrigerator is at the instant a customer buys it—whether it's in front of a stack, how much warehouse shuffling it will take to get it ready for delivery."

Of such attention to detail Scalzo says:

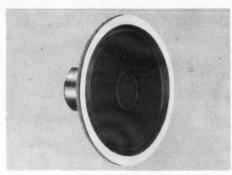
"Sometimes it's the small things that mean the difference between making or losing a sale. We think everything we do—big or little—contributes in some way to our sound refrigerator business."

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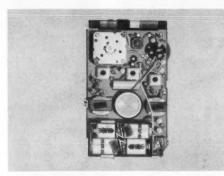
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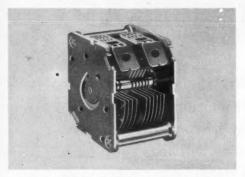
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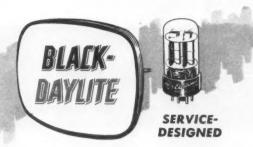
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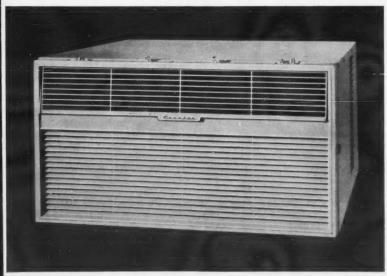
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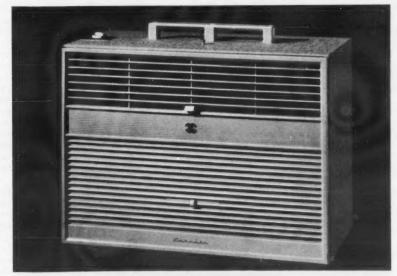
19 inches deep.

51DA IMPERIAL

2½ hp in 208 and 230 volts. 31 inches deep.

51AJ REGAL HEAT PUMP

1 hp in 115 volts, 12 amps, and 1 hp in 208 and 230 volts. 19 inches deep.



51AP2 PORTABLE

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51AE4 PORTABLE

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SIDE BY SIDE at Joe Paine Appliances are six commercial coin-slide washers and 17 domestic Maytags the Natchez dealer adapted to coin op-

eration by mounting meters on backsplash panels. Coin-op customers have a good view of Paine's appliance store through the partition windows.



LIMITED DISPLAY in store (here) is augmented by the color coin-ops. Paine installed spare plumbing T's so he could expand coin-op area.



THE BIG REASONS for Paine's impressive coinop profits hinge on service. He's able to leapfrog many of the usual costly repair problems.

In Natchez, Maytag dealer Joe Paine took a deep breath and plunged into the coin-operated laundry business. Here's a look at what can happen . . .

When Dealer Meets Coin-Op

By BILL McGUIRE

The lion Joe Paine grabbed by the tail last year has become a lamb . . . a very profitable lamb, at that.

In November, 1958, Paine, a oneman Maytag sales and service specialist for 12 years, split his 30x57foot store longitudinally, put a coinoperated laundry into a 12x57-foot area and continued to run his dealership in the rest.

Paine joined "the enemy" because he was convinced he could turn what, on the surface, would appear to be the liability of self-competition into a definite asset: He saw a coin-op laundry of his own as a route to increased sales volume, rather than a sales killer . . . and as a profit-maker in its own right. Experience has proved him exactly correct

It cost \$3,500 fo partition, plumb, wire, light, heat and ventilate his coin laundry, and to install a rest room. Another \$7,900 followed that for 12 Maytag commercial coinslide washers, eight of Huebsch's biggest commercial dryers, a 195-gallon water heater, and a battery of machines—dispensers of soap powder, bleach, Coke, candy, hot drinks and change. He built a TV set into the wall for free entertainment for waiting coin-op customers.

At the outset, a brief burst of promotion got the new business off the ground, and the laundry began to roll . . . as a laundry. But the dealer in Paine sought a way to make it a more effective tool for

sales. Then he found the right button—and he pushed it.

What Paine did was open a second coin-op in a rented building a quarter of a mile away. But instead of loading it with commercial washers, he pulled six of the coin-slide units out of Laundry #1, put them in Laundry #2, and replaced them with domestic Maytag All-Fabric 142-B's. Then he completed the new laundry with six more of the same.

He bought commercial meters, mounted them atop the backsplash panels of the domestic washers, and devised a meter wiring method which would enable the operator of the machine to vary the cycle (Paine wired the meter switch in series with the machine's timer; then fed the meter motor from the timer's pilot light terminals.)

In his little store, he'd never had room to display the three Maytag colors. But of the six domestic machines that now went into each laundry, two were turquoise, two yellow, two pink. Result: Two complete color displays that are working their way.

Great is the value of the domestic washers in the laundries. People waiting out their wash are a perfect captive audience for Paine's sales pitch. Often, the machines do the selling, as coin-op customers see them, use them a few times, then step through the door into Joe Paine Appliances to be sold Maytags (in the nine months since Paine in-

stalled them, 43 sales have come directly off the 142-B's).

The dealer knows, moreover, that with each new laundry customer who's taught to use and appreciate them, acceptance of the entire brand is strengthened in Natchez. And the presence of the six domestic machines agitating merrily under the punishing demands of coin laundry service is a dramatic testimonial to durability that could hardly be matched.

Joe Paine can justify, in terms of customer convenience, his going to the domestics. While commercial washers operate only on a fixed cycle at a single speed and with a maximum of two water temperatures (hot and warm), the All-Fabric Maytags he installed offer variable cycles: two wash and spin speeds; and hot, warm and coldwater wash and rinse. They can handle any synthetic fabric and, to that same end, Paine is currently equipping his dryers with external heat controls for individual setting.

His old friendship with the Maytag product and his well-tooled service bench give the Natchez dealer a tremendous jump on the straight coin laundry operator who's neither trained nor equipped for appliance service. His ability to hold breakdowns and downtime to a minimum is the prime reason he can pull a better than 15% return out of his coin-op investments. He has forced his net from that side of the

business to a glittering 15 to 17%—not bad for a "second income."

No gray hair has come to Paine so far from the service incidence in his coin-ops, so negligible has it been. (He hasn't touched his service reserve of \$1 a month for each washer, each dryer.) But because of the complexity of controls in the domestics and the higher replacement cost of their two-speed motors, Paine figures them for about a 10% higher service cost than the coin-slide washers. He's confident his maintenance and service facilities will enable him to get 10 years of operation out of the 142-B's.

Preventive maintenance keeps Paine's machines spinning. Each washer is checked daily. Every 10 days, the dryers are cleaned and delinted. Monthly, the two giant water heaters are cleaned internally with Clorox and backflushed. The dryers are lubricated quarterly.

Paine operates both his coin laundries around the clock without having added to his staff. By bearing down a bit more (and with partitime help from his wife), he, his two deliverymen-helpers and his office girl make the three businesses go. Supervision of the coin-ops is a simple matter, requiring from 90 minutes to two hours total time daily. Four times a day, they're swept, and checked for cleanliness, for operation of machines, meters and water heaters, and for contents of the dispensing machines.



A COIN-OP'S BLOOD is hot water. Here, Paine adjusts one of his two 195gallon water heaters-500,000-BTU giants that heat 600 gallons an hour.

... thinking of taking a flyer in coin-op?

You could do worse: It's a young, vigorous field of business, ideally suited to the servicing appliance dealer with a normal stock of laundry parts. There are outfits that will set you up, franchised, financed and ready to roll . . . for a price, a piece, or both. Better yet, you can probably do it yourself, with a reasonable investment and no increase in personnel. The merchandising tie-in potential is excellent, and the right sales techniques can make a myth of the old stumbling block of self-competition. But Joe Paine has some

- 1. Location's everything in this business. For best sales results, put your laundry in or beside your store. Second choice is a high-traffic spot near a supermarket or shopping center, with access to parking. If you go residential, stick to middle-class neighborhoods.
- 2. Rent, don't build. Chances are you're not interested in real estateonly in what a building can do for you. Be sure to provide for expan-sion with extra plumbing, wiring and space for machines.
- 3. Equipment you'll need for a paying operation will include at least

10 washers (commercial machines are about \$250, operator's price; meters to mount on domestic washers cost some \$38 retail); four to six commercial dryers (the biggest and most practical go for about \$565); a big-capacity water heater (this is the heart of any coin-op; a 195-gallon gas model costs approximately \$1,175). You can depreciate commercial washers in three years, dryers in five.

- 4. Machines are the key to unattended, 24-hour operation. Necessary ones are soap and bleach dispensers, and change-makers. Candy and drink machines help draw traffic and are good for a profit.
- 5. It's the humidity that makes a coin-op tough to air condition. Better ventilate it instead, with a reversible vent fan. Heat it, too. And arrange for a separate air supply to the big 1000-CFM dryers (or you'll have to keep the door open). Paine did it by dropping the ceiling, leaving the dryer intakes open in the plenum above.
- 6. Set a schedule for maintenance and establish a service reserve. And be sure to stick to your resolutions to keep the coin-ops in good shape.





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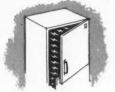
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FEATURES THIS WEEK

Airtemp, Coolerator and York air conditioners . Manitowoc freezer-refrigerator • Cory heat massager • Miller clocks • Philco and Channel Master transistor radios . RCA built-in TV and stereo line

YORK 1960 Air Conditioners

Powerful-Quiet for 1960 describes York's new line of air conditioners with added cooling power provided by a new compressor: dual piswith automotive type piston rings for top cooling capacity; scientifically advanced system of jet-type tubes feeding refrigerant to compression chambers; the compressor features dual suspension rubber suspended internal mechanism, and an external spring suspension to absorb vibration: acoustically designed front silences air sound without decreasing cooling power; hygienic-clean filter up to 82% more effective; multi-direction air grilles to give complete control of placement of cooled air. Adventurer, small line of conditioners, available in a 7½ amp, 115-volt

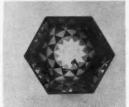


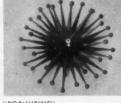
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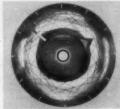
and 230-volt units: also reverse cycle models for bedroom comfort.

Medium priced, Discoverer, in 71/2 amps, 115 volts; 12 amp. 115 volts and 230- and 208-volt units; also in reverse cycle heat pump series.

A multi-room conditioner, Conqueror, in 115, 208, 230 volts and a wide range of amps; Discoverer and Conqueror have additional electric heating available in larger units. York Div., Borge-Warner Corp., York, Penna









quoise.





DOME'

HOWARD MILLER Clocks Motion Notion, an unusual concept in clock design by George Nelson, is highlight of new Howard Miller line.

Time-space relationship is created by geometric designs of vacuum-formed plastic and revolving disks of color on the clock, which is designed to hang on wall, from ceiling, or placed on shelf or table.

Kaleidoscope, top-of-line model, is an hexagonal shadow box with mirrored facets; revolving face throws color patterns on these miniature mirrors. Available in royal blue, lime and tur-

Shadow-Box, in black or white, has two overlaid silk-screened disks, one in red, the other black to create optical illusions. One disk revolves once an hour and marks minute hands, the other does so 60 times and marks the

Platter, also with double disk, has

plate-shaped face of black plastic or chrome; nylon thread superstructure to point out 12 hourly markings; single rotation disk keeps motion going; rotating swirls of walnut veneer. Porcupine is a two-faced free-hanging sphere with red birch pointers; also available with single face for

Clocknick resembles a canted shell or rocket of brass and chrome. Longer than high, it is designed to stand on desk or table.

Dome, desk or table upright cylinder. has two revolving bands, one for hours and one for minutes; glass

dome houses decorative finial.

Electric models plug into any outlet; can be installed in wall with Chronopak.

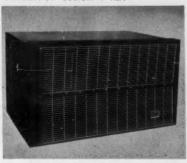
Prices, Kaleidoscope, Dome and Cylinder, \$60 each; Compass and Platter, \$45; Porcupine, \$45 and \$80. Howard Miller Clock Co., Zeeland, Mich.

COOLERATOR 1960 Air Conditioners

Coolerator's 1960 air conditioner line

has been shortened to 18 models. The electrostatic "Lectrofilter" again featured in top-of-line models

COOLERATOR CUSTOM I H.P.



germs as well as removes airborne dust and pollen, (it uses a Van de Graaf type generator, operated by moving air inside conditioner to deliver a safe high-voltage electrostatic charge to the foam filter). Line consists of eight Custom Series

with an improved filter which uses

a new foam plastic filter that kills

models with capacities from 10,000 to 19,000 Btus; all have automatic thermostat; 4 rotary no-draft grilles; 2 speeds; slide-out chassis; concealed dial controls; ventilation and exhaust control; separate fresh air filter plus "Lectrofilter." Two Super series in 1 and 2 hp; Compact series, four models (three for 115 volts) in capacities from 6700 to 8600 Btus; Portable with 4200 Btus; all use germ killing filter; three reverse cycle models complete line. Coolerator Div. McGraw Edison Co., Albion, Mich.

CHRYSLER AIRTEMP **Heat Pumps**

Two split system heat pumps have been added to the 1960 Airtemp line. The new 3-hp packaged heat pump and a 5-hp split-system unit have been added to Chrysler's Airtemp heat pump line to meet demands.

The 3-hp 35,000 Btu model has features designed to make it universally adaptable and include quiet centrifugal blowers on both evaporator and condenser, permitting ducting of condenser air so units may be installed in hip-roof homes or interior offices. Removable blower section for easier handling; new refrigerant control for better performance over a wide range of operation; designed for outside installation, flexible air intake and discharge arrangements, it may be obtained with an electric element and year-round thermostat.

The 5-hp split heat pump comes with a 9.6 or 19.2 kw heater; Fiberglas insulated hood; summer-winter thermostat; check light to indicate failure of safety controls; built for low temperature operation down to zero F. Chrysler Corp., Airtemp Div.,



CORY Heat-Massager

The addition of the "Sarasota" flexible combination Heat Massager, No. 610, has been announced by Cory Corp.

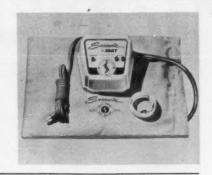
This 3-in-1 model can be used as a heating pad and massager combined; as a heating pad only; or as an automatic massager only. The flexible, vinyl covered pad can be strapped around the arm, leg or any other part of body and measures 17x131/2 in.

The unit provides an ebb-and-flow type massage so that heat-massage or plain massage is penetrating. There is a choice of high-heat or low-heat when used as a heating pad.

A remote control panel of molded polystyrene is attached to the unit by special control cable for instant change of kind of treatment required: from massage-to-heat-only or to heatand-massage; 9-ft. cord; 50-60 cycle 115 volts, a.c. only.

Portable, this combination unit can be used anywhere about the home; in an easy chair while reading, etc.; and is suitable for ralaxing tense nerves.

Price, \$29.95. Cory Corp., 3700 W. Peterson Ave., Chicago 45.



MANITOWOC Freezer-Refrigerator

A new 2-ozone freezer-refrigerator combination FZ-195 is announced by While it looks like



built-in unit, it reduces installation expenses because it is free-standing. Features include square styling

with the refrigerator section holding 9 cu. ft. of food and the freezer compartment 8 cu. ft; or up to 265 lbs. frozen foods.

This combination uses freezing coils in top, bottom, back wall plus both sides of the freezing compartment. No frost builds up on packages or shelves because the temperatures remain at zero or below, to protect food from loss of color, texture, taste or

In the refrigerator section, Manitowoc's flowing cold principle maintains ideal temperature and humidity balance. It keeps foods fresh and nutritious. Another advantage is the quick cold recovery after door is opened or closed. Manitowoc Appliances, Manitowoc 6, Wis.

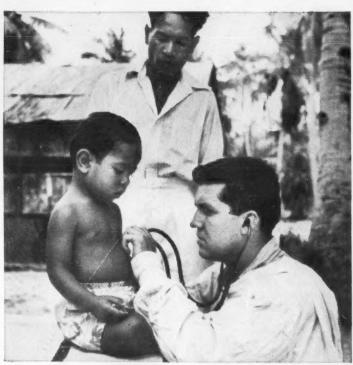


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MODERN MAID Oven

Modern Maid has announced a companion electric double oven which is designed to be completely interchangeable with the recently introduced new Modern Maid double oven gas built-in units.

gas built-in units.

Each oven is 18 in. wide making a total oven width of 36 in. Upper oven is equipped with a toastender and a triple rotiserie; it is a fully automatic clock controlled oven and the clock is equipped with a 4-hr. Minute Minder and bell chime.

The lower oven has its own broil and bake elements; a new type heat control is used; when bake unit is on, the broil unit is on at ¼ heat, giving perfect heat distribution in oven.

Price, \$584. Tennessee Stove Works, Chatanooga 1, Tenn.



Wahl announces a silent, compact and close cutting electric shaver introducing an entirely new principle of shaving. Wahl shaver is designed with



blades that are dynamically flexible; both inside blade, the thinnest of its kind, and the outer blade flex to "give" with the shave; "dyna-flex" action allows the shaving head to follow exact contour of face; gives an easier, closer shave, even to hollow cheeks and under chin areas that are normally difficult to shave.

Self-sharpening blade action, a nylon case and a permanently attached cord add to smooth, trouble-free performance of this shaver; operating off an instant-starting motor the instrument is said to shave so quietly "you hear the whiskers being cut."

Complete with plastic carrying case. Price, \$14.95. An additional source of dealer income and improved customer service is provided with easy-to-attach "in-stock" replacement blades available at \$2.50 a set. Wahl Clipper Corp., Sterling, Ill.



SCHICK Shaving Needs

Schick, Inc. is introducing 3 products to the Schick line of shaving needs: a 3-way adjustable replacement shaving head for Schick electric shavers introduced prior to 1957; a new formula shaving powder, Pre-Shave Powder Stick; and the Schick Shaver Clean, a shaving head cleaner and lubricant.

The new 3-way head is available for Nos. 101, 25 and 20 and the custom models; complete conversion kit with the head and matching whiskets has a suggested retail price of \$6.50.

Schick Shaver Clean to clean and lubricate heads for all electric shavers; Shaver Clean and Pre-Shave Powder Stick retail for \$1.

Schick also offers a new counter display with the 3 products. Schick, Inc., Lancaster, Penna.

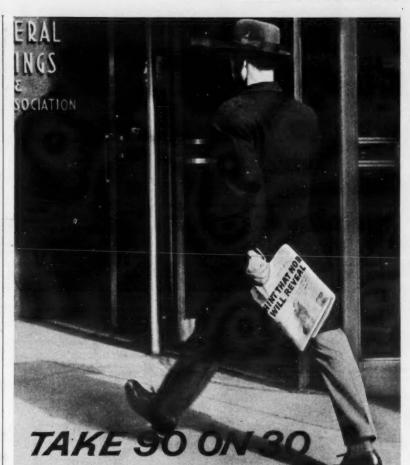
MAGIC HOSTESS Cooler

This modern portable cooler gives rapid cooling plus high velocity air movement and longer cooling range; requires no installation, plugs in anywhere; has built-in water recirculating pump; king-size filler cup built

MAGIC HOSTESS COOLER MH2300



into unit that eliminates spilling; has 41/2 gal. plastic reservoir, enough to last for hours without refilling; builtin drain plug: vinvl-clad galvanized steel cabinet; removable wrap-around filter of treated aspen; newly designed water control valve that converts cooler to air circulator by turning control knob; water level indicator shows when cooler needs to be re-filled; quiet squirrel cage blowers large volume of air with greater velocity. Available in decorator colors suitable for every room and every type decor; modern designed handles on both sides for convenient carrying from room to room; adjustable louvers provide fingertip air control; full range directional grilles can be changed at a touch; 1/10 hp motor; 3 speeds; 850 cfm cooling capacity. Magic Hostess Corp., Kansas City, Mo.



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son Corp., Woodbridge, N. J.



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PHILCO T-74 VALLEY FORGE



PHILCO T-901 CONGRESS

PHILCO "All-American" Transistor Radio Line

A new transistor radio line called "All American" to indicate that no imported parts or foreign labor are used in these sets is announced.

Featured in all models is a new "Power-Boost" push-pull audio output circuit which eliminates old-fashioned transformers or tapped voice coil speakers, and gives longer battery life and greater power output. Low-priced leader, T-51 Lexington, is a 7-transistor, palm-size model with "Magnecor" antenna; 2½-in. speaker; comes in luster ivory and charcoal grey break-resistant case; weighs 10 oz.; carrying case optional; also available in a Pleasure Pac gift box containing set, carrying case, mercury batteries, private listening ear speaker.

T-52, horizontal 5-transistor set in break-resistant cabinet of terra cotta, luster ivory, and charcoal; weighs 14

PHILCO T-70 CONSTITUTION



oz., operates on 4 regular "AA" pen-

light or mercury batteries.

A special "Treasure Chest" kit containing receiver, carrying case, plugin ear speaker, 4 batteries.

T-62, 6-transistor gold and ebony break-resistant case with multi-purpose brass handle that can be used for carrying or as a table stand; operates on 2 "AA" penlight or mercury batteries; weighs 14 oz.

Three 7-transistor models in "All American" line include T-70, Constitution, similar to T-62 in style, with multi-purpose brass handle comes in ebony, terra cotta and ivory; suntan carrying case optional.

T-74, Valley Forge, in leather-like

T-74, Valley Forge, in leather-like briarwood case with ivory and gold faced panel, has 3½-in speaker; horizontal dial with slide rule tuning; operates on 4 "C" flashlight batteries.
T-76, advanced design of T-75, in leather case, or in black morocco.
T-802 deluxe 8-transistor set for outdoors, in scuff-resistant leather-like case; 4 regular flashlight batteries.
T-901 Congress, 9-transistor set has genuine leather briarwood or black morocco case; 4-in. speaker; 4 "D" batteries.

Prices, from \$24.95 for T-51, to \$59.95 for T-901. Philco Corp., C & Tioga Sts., Philadelphia 34.

RCA Victor Built-In TV and Stereo

The first complete line of "Mural TV" sets and radio and stereo hi-fi designed to be built into walls is announced. These family entertainment centers can be built into walls and room dividers with instruments and panoramic speakers mounted flush to the wall.

Four TV and two stereo hi-fi models are in the built-in line. The



"Mural TV" line includes one color and three black-and-white receivers; all have front controls and speakers; ventilation can be supplied from front or back.

Stereo models are BK-1, a "Victrola" phono; BK-2, phono, AM and FM radio combinations with pushbutton controls; the record changers with 4 playing speeds are housed in a flushto-wall cabinet which slides; panoramic speaker systems with frames to match master unit are available for both TV and stereo units.

Everything the builder needs to install units is shipped together, including master unit, speakers, mounting brackets, cables, baffles and frames, hardware and detailed instructions. RCA Victor, Radio Corp. of America, Camden, N. J.

FANON Wireless Intercom

FW-50 "wireless" intercom needs no installation, plugs into ac; 2-station system has improved signal-to-noise ratio; modulation sensitivity; improved tone fidelity; 4-tube amplifier; silicon rectifier; hi-fashion styling in brushed brass with "standby-listentalk" and on-off control.

Price, 2-stations, \$89; added units, \$40; Fanon Industries, Inc., Brooklyn, N. Y.



DEWALD FM Radio

DeWald FM table radio P-705 "Lyric" has FM static-free reception, no-drift variable condenser tuning, extended range speaker, slide-rule tuning, output jack, balanced ratio detector, AM reception, RF stage, built-in antenna, interlock circuit, 2-watts output; antique ivory or gray, gold trim.

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Price, \$39.95. United Scientific Labs
Inc., 35-15 37th Ave., Long Island,
City 1. N. Y.



CHANNEL MASTER Transistor Radio

A new, high performance, sub-miniature radio has been added to Channel Master line of portable transistor radios; no larger than a cigarette pack, it has 6 transistors and 1 diode; delivers top tonal quality; only 3%x2¼x1¼ in., it has a superhet circuit and sealed variable condenser.

Unbreakable nylon case with gold anodized grille in red or black; built-in ferrite antenna; built-in handle which doubles as a stand; tuning dial has CD frequencies clearly marked; an earphone outlet for private listening is provided; available with carrying case of top-grade cowhide with magnetic earphone.

Price, \$34.95; radio alone without accessories, \$29.95. Channel Master Corp., Ellenville, N.Y.



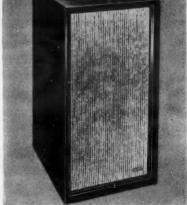
EICO Hi-Fi Speaker

Three hi-fi speaker systems available as semi-kits are announced by EICO. HFS-3 and HFS-4 are 3-way systems for full tones of deep bass frequencies; HFS-3 has 3½-in. conc tweeter; HFS-4, compression driven horn tweeter; both have 12-in. bellows suspension woofer; 8-in. closed back mid-range with high internal damping cone; compact enclosure of ¾-in. stock and tuned to 25 cycles by tubular ducted port.

HFS-5, bookshelf-size enclosure, has 8-in. bellows-suspension woofer; 3½-in. closed back tweeter; impregnated cloth, bellows woofer suspension; tuned to 45 cycles.

Furniture hardwood on 4 sides, factory-constructed, not a kit, with decorator-designed frame and grille.

Prices, \$47.50 to \$98.50. Electronic



CHANNEL MASTER

Instrument Co., Inc., 33-00 N. Boulevard, Long Island City.

JFD Antennas

A newly designed series of 8 antennas with Banshee principle is announced by JFD Electronics.

Features include preassembled Quik-Rig construction which permits faster and more durable installations of this type configuration; 1-in. square heavy-wall crossarms with capped ends for better rigidity; ½- and %-in. od preassembled dipoles reinforced with heavy duty inserts at ends for added strength and permanence; improved element brackets; wide-angle boom bracing for larger Banshee antennas.

JFD gold anodized Quik-Rig Banshee series have AN350, 9-element unit; AN450, 11-element unit; ANS-350, 15-element; and ANS450, 130element unit.

Conversion of a 9- to a 15-element

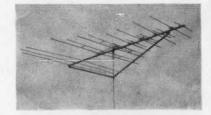
version is possible with JFD Booster Paks DP300 or the ANDP300 (gold anodized). An 11-element unit can be converted to 18 elements with Booster Paks DP400 (natural aluminum) or ANDP400 (gold anodized).

Still available is the standard JFD which features the heavy-duty 1- and

%-in. od dipole assembly.

Prices, \$22, AN350 to \$39.50 for
ANS450; Booster Paks \$9.50 and \$9.95.

JFD Electronics Corp., 6101 16th St.,
Brooklyn 4, N. Y.



CHORAL Organ

Choral, electrical chord organ has 3-octave keyboard; 37 professional size keys; chord players for major or minor chords and rhythm bass chords; full size stand holds sheet music and folds away; easy-play key selector; free music book; comes in hardwood furniture design cabinet. Matching table, \$25, and bench with brass tipped legs, \$20. American Audion Corp., 200 Fifth Ave., New York 10.



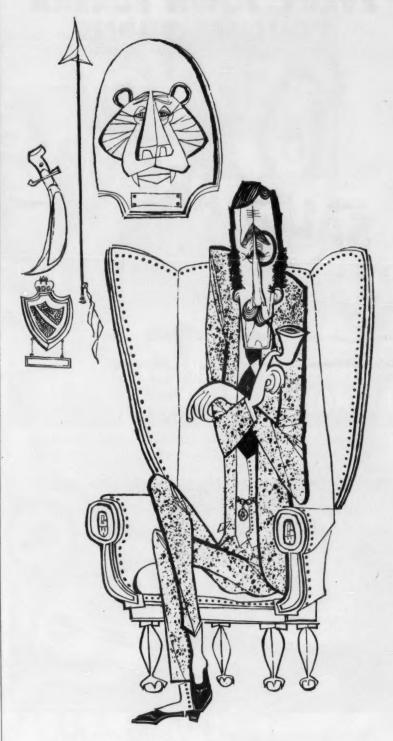


JERROLD PORTABLE TRANSISTOR METER

JERROLD Meter

Portable transistorized field strength meter No. TMT, the "serviceman's stethoscope," enables him to check TV signal, aging antennas, etc.; operates on 4 C cells; gives readings from 100-to-2,000,000 mc. in 8 switchable ranges; special battery calibrating control; covers TV picture carriers for VHF channels ranging from 2 to 13.

Price, \$135, Jerrold Electronics Corp., 15th and Lehigh, Philadelphia 32.



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Airtemp Division, Chrysler Corporation, Dept. P-30A, Dayton 1, Ohio



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At \$54,95!... sets sales on fire because it includes all the essential features of the original Eureka Model 910 priced at \$69.95! The HOTTEST cleaner value in 50 years! And real profit in it for the dealer!

EUREKA Vibra-Beat

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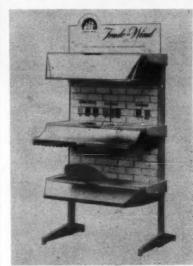


JFD announces a new series of light-weight, corrosion-proof aluminum masts that eliminate rust, corrosion staining, have a high tensile strength of 45,000 lbs. per sq. in., 66% less weight than steel and cost less to ship and store. Available in 5- 7½- and 10-ft. sections in silver or gold anodized aluminum. JFD Electronics Corp., 6101 60th Ave., Brooklyn, 4, N. Y.



Hosho tape recorder No. 105 is compact, portable, weighs 18 lbs. including power amplifier and twin speakers; dial speed (3¾-7½ ips) remote control; dynamically balanced flywheel assembly; precision optically lapped heat; hifi erasure; magic eye record level indicator; earphone, extension speaker jack; extension audio cable, input for recording directly from radio or TV; phono internal cooling fan; table stand.

Price, \$129.95. Hosho of America, Inc., 1549 N. Vine St., Hollywood 28.



A new display for the dealer featuring three Trade-Wind hood styles —Space Saver, Prewired and Patrician, are arranged to hinge upward for easy under-hood inspection.

The display can also accommodate two Space Saver hoods and one Patrician hood is desired.

Any finish is available with either grouping; the background with blue trim is brick patterned.

Trade-Wind Div., Robbins & Myers, 7755 Paramount Place,

Pico Rivera, Calif.

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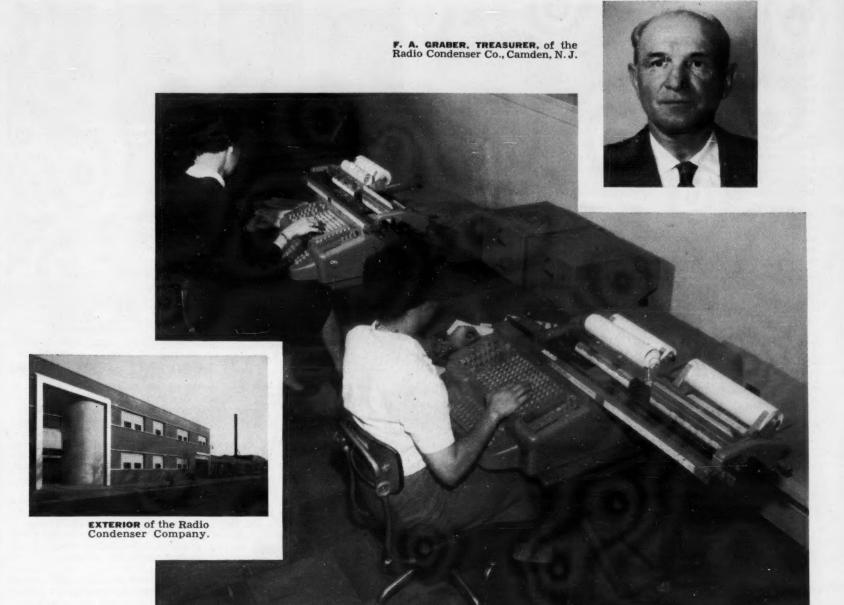
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"THE NATIONAL SYSTEM has simplified our accounting and increased our profits."

"Our National Accounting System

saves us \$25,000 a year...

returns 72% annually on investment!"

-Radio Condenser Company, Camden, N. J.

"Thanks to our National System," writes F. A. Graber, Treasurer, of the Radio Condenser Company in New Jersey, "we've been able to reduce our staff by four while saving \$12,000 a year on equipment costs alone.

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THE NATIONAL CASH REGISTER COMPANY, Dayton 9. Ohio

PEOPLE in the NEWS

Ampex Audio Co.-Four persons have been appointed to positions in the Sunnyvale, Calif., manufacturer's new marketing administration department. C. D. DuBois will head the department. Reporting to him will be Glenn Engberg, manager of order service; Peter Larmer, director of marketing research and analysis; and Elizabeth McLean, supervisor for dealer finance activities.

Berns Air King Corp.—Three men have been appointed divisional sales managers for the Chicago manufacturer of ventilating equipment and heaters and Holliwood



I. L. Griffin of Hotpoint

the eastern.



E. M. Haines of York

appliances. William J. Rosen, gen-

eral sales manager, will handle the midwestern district; Al Grossman,

the western; and Stan Sugerman,

Blonder-Tongue Laboratories, Inc.

-Harry A. Gilbert has been named

to the newly created position of



A. Gilbert of Blonder

manufacturer's plant.

Geo. D. Roper Corp.—John P. Wright has resigned as president

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ANNIVERSARY...



E. W. Hubert of Norge





R. O. Lockman West Bend



of Hoffman

vice president. He will coordinate activities of all line and staff deand William C. Waggoner has resigned as vice president. Elected to take their places are Stanley H. partments in the organization and set the pace for the current expan-sion program at the electronics Hobson, chairman of the board, who becomes president, and W. G. Vuksnic, treasurer. H. H. Jeske will continue as executive vice president.

> Hotpoint-I. L. Griffin has been appointed general manager, refrig-eration department, in the division of the General Electric Co. With G-E since 1947, his most recent position was marketing manager, TV receiver department.

And in the division's relations department, Richard J. Anton has been appointed manager. He has been manager, union relations research, for G-E.

Radio Corp. of America-Clyde K. Huxtable has been named manager, television product line develop-ment, for the company's sales corporation. He will be responsible for the general product planning and styling of the RCA Victor TV line.

Remington Rand Electric Shaver Division, Sperry Rand Corp.-A. C. Barioni has been appointed assist-ant general manager. Among his responsibilities will be direction of marketing for the division.

Tobias, O'Neil & Gallay, Inc .- Donald B. Smith has been named executive vice president, consumer division, of the agency's Chicago office. Formerly, he was a senior account executive with the Leo Burnett Co.

West Bend Aluminum Co.-Robert O. Lockman has been elected vice president for sales for the West Bend, Wis., manufacturer. He has been general sales manager for the past year and will continue in that position.

Burgess Vibrocrafters, Inc.-Ted Uly has been named assistant sales manager for the Grayslake, Ill., manufacturer of electric sprayers, can openers and other appliances. Ken Eich will replace him as eastern district sales manager.

Norge-E. W. Hubert has been appointed national sales manager of combination washer-dryers for the division of Borg-Warner Corp. He has been with the company on general product sales assignments since September, 1959.

York-Edward M. Haines has been elected to the new position of vice president and assistant to the president for the division of Borg-Warner Corp. He has had a broad experience in administration, operations and sales in both the industrial and appliance fields.

Hoffman Electronics Corp.—Z. W. Pique has been appointed vice president, marketing, and Donald C. Bright is general manager of the new industrial electronics division.



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THIS REMOTE CONTROL air conditioner from Whirlpool lets you keep your room cool without stirring from under the sheets. And the thermostat's in the control panel, so you're dialing temperature for you, not the unit.

WORLD NEWS

- Thanks to electricity, West Berlin has a new skyscraper.
- Canadians exchange verbal volley over prices.

BERLIN (McGraw-Hill World News)—West Berlin's tallest building, the 262-foot "Haus der Elektrizitaet," has been dedicated by Mayor Willy Brandt. It took 14 months to build and cost \$2.5 million. Fifteen of the building's 24 floors are occupied by the Telefunken GMBH., one of Germany's big-gest radio and TV equipment manufacturers.

LONDON-Although sales of pho-

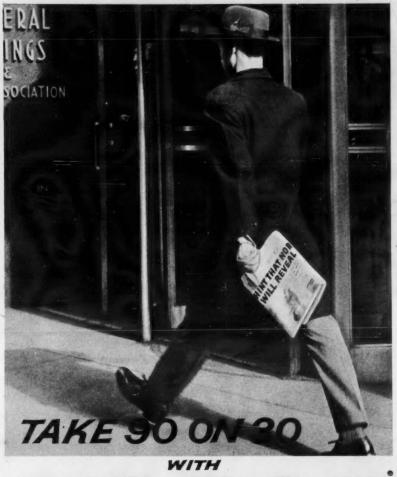
nograph records for December, 1959, were 20% over December, 1958, total British production for the year fell 2% to \$38.1 million, according to the Board of Trade.

MONTREAL-Prices on household appliances have been dropping steadily in Canada. Over the last seven years, they have decreased about 18%. A. J. Illingworth, president of the Canadian Institute of Stove and Furnace Manufacturers, cited the figure in reply to a recent accusation by the Royal Architec-tural Institute of Canada that: "Building costs have not increased disproportionately in the last six years, but the cost of land and household appliances has risen well out of proportion."



'Living Color Handicap' Winner's Circle

HOST AT HIALEAH track for 150 Florida color TV dealers and families was Seacoast Appliance Distributors, Miami. Here, Stan Glasser, second from right, Seacoast president, presents a plate to representatives of the winning Widener Stables. Looking on at left is RCA's Vaughn Monroe.



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PARAGON ELECTRIC COMPANY 1638 Twelfth St. . Two Rivers, Wis. TIME IS MONEY - CONTROL IT WITH PARAGON



This building in Marseilles, Ill., is 75 years old, but John Fenoglio's appliance store is as modern as can be. He invested \$7,000 to make it that way and he did it for a simple reason . . .

Remodeling Saved His Business



SECTIONALIZED STORE was made possible by installing long counter down center of building to house traffics. Majors are displayed against the walls while records are at rear so browsers don't block the aisles.

ONE-MAN OPERATION was kept in mind when Fenoglio planned new store. This bullpen, at the end of the traffic appliance counter, puts him right in the middle of everything.



After a decade on Main Street in Marseilles, things were pretty much at a standstill for Fenoglio. And there were some solid reasons for the slowdown.

The biggest reason: the Fenoglio store itself. In 1947, it had replaced a chain food store in a 75-year-old building. The store was small and cramped with scanty room for service and none for warehousing. Lighting was poor, the floors and walls drab and window space too small for imaginative display.

"Let's face it," he says now, "that old place was a junk shop. I knew I had to do something to save my business."

Fenoglio spent \$7,000 taking his store apart and putting it together again—with some help from Marseilles' Union National Bank, which encourages local merchants to improve their property. For his money he got a rebuilt front—with big, big windows—new lighting, a brightly colored tile floor and a 25x25-foot addition at the rear for service and warehouse space. The entire job was done by local contractors, a must in a small town. When the work was finished—in December, 1957—Fenoglio had just about what he wanted.

It was evidently just what his customers wanted, too. "Business jumped at least 10% in 1958," Fenoglio says. "And 1959 proved still better.
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"We began getting back customers we hadn't seen in years. It gave us such a shot in the arm, I only wish we'd done it sooner."

Specifically, TV sales increased by two or three units a month—this year Fenoglio will sell at least 100 sets. White goods sales rose nicely and records and traffics are all moving better. The store is starting to pull some shoppers away from Ottawa—a town of 20,000 only 5 miles west of Marseilles.

"When they started coming from Ottawa, I knew we'd done the right thing," Fenoglio says.

The store was planned for a one-man operation. Traffics are on a long counter running down the center of the store, with majors lining the walls on either side. An arched doorway separates the service department from the display area.

John Fenoglio designed his windows so they would make the whole store a display. The windows are angled to attract not only shoppers on Main Street but also motorists on U.S. 6, which runs about 100 feet north of the store. Fenoglio puts in several months of spare-time work planning and arranging his displays, feeling they're his best form of advertising. He also advertises in the Marseilles paper and in the Marseilles pages of the Ottawa Republic-Times. About 50% of his volume comes from a thriving electrical contracting business.

UTILITY NEWS

Carolina Power & Light Co. has asked the utilities commission to approve a complete "modernization" of all its rates, except to textile companies, effective April 1. Most changes would effect residential users by eliminating "demand" and "excess capacity" charges, replacing the three present schedules with one uniform rate.

To pull the string at the local level, the Tennessee Valley Public Power Assn. will build its May 16-July 16 room air conditioner sales drive around a \$10 consumer bonus. Big central systems will bring bigger bonuses.

An "Electric Heating Fair," the first of its kind in Arkansas, is being held this month at the Arkansas Power and Light Co. headquarters in Little Rock. Displays include heat pumps, portable and built-in resistance heating equipment and insulation exhibits. An added attraction: AP&L is offering a "Treasure Chest" of heating prizes worth \$1,500.

Fire to wire is the object of a current Florida Power Corp. "Switch to Switches" range and water heater replacement push. Dealers get \$5 bonuses for every fire-to-wire sale.

"Your money back if you're not satisfied," Commonwealth Edison—Public Service, Chicago, is promising in its current three-month electric clothes dryer push. Twelve brands of 240-volt automatic dryers are covered by the offer, available to all residential customers in Commonwealth's 11,000-square-mile service area.

Back to school is the byword at a couple of Connecticut utilities. The United Illuminating Co., Bridgeport, recently awarded certificates to 40 area residents for completing an electric home heating course it sponsored. And, on the trade side, 95 men, representing 47 participating plumbing and heating contractors in the New Haven area, are currently attending service classes at the New Haven Gas Co.

Southern Counties Gas Co., in California, has named two men to new positions. John R. Feehan is the new business supervisor of the San Gabriel Valley division sales staff. And Vincent E. Singleton is the utility's staff representative, air conditioning, in the Los Angeles office.

More appointments: Eugene W. Sommerville has been promoted to general superintendent of The United Illuminating Co., Bridgeport, Conn., and, at the same utility, Floyd W. Buck has been named engineering manager.

For the second year in a row, Southern California Edison led the nation in awarding Gold Medallions to home and apartment builders for all-electric excellence.

Atlantic City residents have 1,000 more turkeys and electric ranges thanks to an eight-week sales push conducted by Atlantic City Electric Co., along with 200 Reddy Kilowatt dealers. Winning gimmicks: Free turkeys, 36 months to pay, no money down.

Utility Fights Oil with Mortgages

British Columbia Electric Co. has "reluctantly" entered the home mortgage field, "to combat programs offered by oil companies," a company spokesman told McGraw-Hill World News. Specifically, B. C. Electric is fighting the Imperial Oil Co.

Last autumn, Imperial offered second mortgages up to \$1,200 for a seven-year period to buyers of new homes with any make of automatic oil furnace and a storage tank capacity of 250 gallons or more. And the buyer had to promise to use the company's furnace oil during the life of the mortgage.

Imperial says its interest rate is pegged at the rate the applicant pays on his first mortgage, but it can't be less than 6%. Interest rates on conventional first mortgages in the Vancouver area run between 6¾ and 7½%. Under private financing at prevailing rates, a \$1,200 seven-year second mortgage at an interest rate of 7% might cost an additional 18 to 21%.

B. C. Electric is offering second mortgages of up to \$1,400 payable over seven years to purchasers of new homes with natural gas equipment. The utility will lend \$1,100 (through recognized building contractors) to homeowners installing gas and water heating. It will up that to \$1,400 if they install a builtin gas range. Interest rate is 7%.

Yankee Utility's Dealers Report Blankets Did Best

Probably because of the big push United Illuminating Co., Bridgeport, Conn., put on this fall. Blanket sales in Bridgeport were up 87.8% over 1958. And New Haven dealers racked up a 188% increase.

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Total volume for last year:
Bridgeport, \$6,700,000, a record;
New Haven, \$7,600,000, second best
year on the books.

In Bridgeport, room air conditioner sales were up 58%; electric dishwashers, 37%; laundry combos, 20%; clothes dryers, 13%.

In New Haven, dealers sold 9,963 TV sets, 7,784 automatic washers, 6,124 refrigerators, 4,090 electric blankets and 3,149 electric clothes dryers.



"Our Yellow Pages advertising sends us many customers for new sets and service"

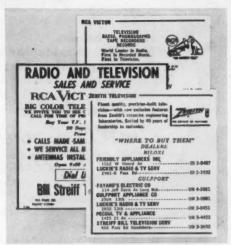
says Bill Streiff, Prop., Bill Streiff Television Service, Gulfport, Miss.

"Folks around here are plenty brand-conscious, and they usually look for the brands they want in the Yellow Pages. That's why we feature brand names in our Yellow Pages ad and under several trade-mark headings. That way, brand-name buyers are bound to find us.

"Another thing the Yellow Pages do is keep our telephone number in front of service customers. Since they don't call us very often, they forget the number. But our Yellow Pages ad is always there to remind them.

"Incidentally, I'm happy with the way the telephone company promotes the Yellow Pages on television and in magazines. The more people use the directory, the better our opportunity for getting new business."

Promote your brand-name products with a Yellow Pages advertising program that will tell people where to find you. The Yellow Pages man will help you create the plan that will most profitably serve your business. Call him at your Bell telephone business office today.



DISPLAY AD (shown reduced) in the Yellow Pages helps sell Streiff's TV service and brand-name products. Firm considers the Yellow Pages a must. Brand-name listings under the Zenith and RCA trade-mark headings are also part of Bill Streiff's Yellow Pages program.



Display this sales-building emblem wherever your prospects can see it. The Yellow Pages representative will gladly supply as many as you need.

MERCHANDISING SUPPLEMENT NEW PRODUCTS— NEW SALES





DISTRIBUTOR NEWS

Admiral Sales Corp. has announced two job changes. Lawrence E. Murphy has been appointed manager of major appliance accounts. He was major accounts manager for Westinghouse in Miami and previously was president of Southern States Distributors, Admiral distributor in south Florida. Joseph J. Casale has been named regional sales manager.

Paul J. Kennedy has been made district manager in the Cleveland sales and service branch of Thor Power Tool Co.

Hendrick F. Lancaster of Orgill Bros. Co. Inc., Memphis distributor, has become assistant sales manager of the King Stove and Range Co. at Sheffield, Ala. His responsibilities are being split among other buyers on the Orgill staff.

Superlatives made news in Houston, Tex., during January. Automatic Distributing Corp., the oldest Norge distributor, sold over 500 home appliances in a week, the biggest Norge week in almost 29 years.

Carrier-Bock Co., Dallas, was the number-one Carrier distributor in air conditioning dollar volume with over \$5 million for the year.

Zenith Sales Corp. held the first of a series of merchandising training classes in Dallas. L. C. Truesdell, president, conducted the meeting; Alex A. Greenberg, manager, supplier relations, National Retail Furniture Assn., spoke.



Distributor Gives Salesman the Bird

A REAL ONE. M. M. Green, sales manager, Northeastern Distributors, Inc., Norge, Boston, Mass., is handing over the 20-pound turkey as a door prize at his company's annual "Retail Salesman's Family Day." The event, usually in January, draws around 500 salesmen and members of their families. Green says the day is an "unusual opportunity for informal, subtle sales training."

DISTRIBUTOR APPOINTMENTS

AMANA REFRIGERATION, INC.

—Luethi & Welch, Inc., Columbus, Ohio; Anderson Distributing Co., Salt Lake City.

MATTHEW STUART & CO., INC.

—Trix Distributing Corp, New York.

THE HOBART MANUFACTURING CO., Kitchen Aid Home Dishwasher Division—Dean C. Haggardt, San Francisco, (as factory rep for the Pacific NorthSYLVANIA HOME ELECTRONICS CORP.—Graybar Electric Co., Inc., Los Angeles; Republic Electric Co., Davenport, Iowa.

LEWYT CORP.—George Rosen Co., Baltimore.

CAPEHART CORP.—Capehart Division, Joyner-Menly Co., Oklahoma City.

GIBSON REFRIGERATOR DIVI-SION, Hupp Corp.—Cook Distributors, Inc., Buffalo, N. Y.

1960 MAGIC CHEF PROVEN IN THE MARKETPLACE

Harry Thomas, Sam Thomas Mercantile Company, Quitman, Louisiana, says:

"We are winning the battle for better profits with the Magic Chef line."

PROVEN—by 33 1/3 % increase in dealer outlets! PROVEN—by 96% increase in sales!

Magic Chef

CLEVELAND, TENN

Ballyhoo and Barking Begin Kitchen Fete

The push will last through March and April. Barker with the big voice: Edison Electric Institute.

The carnival kick is part of the Institute's Live Better Electrically program. Like all LBE promotions, this one runs the gamut of media and merchandising helps.

Member companies will run eightpage four-color ads to rally the industry to the cause. Kits for dealers who nibble at the bait include newspaper ad ideas, radio scripts, trade ad reprints and a point-of purchase material kit, with window banner or wall poster, pennants and apppliance hang tags.

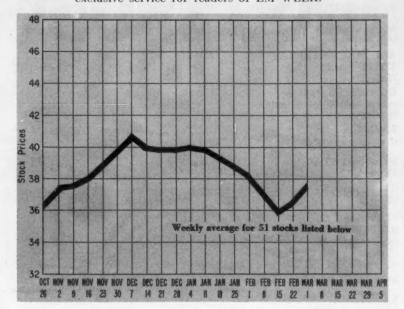
Backing up the grass roots efforts, LBE is running ads in a couple of big consumer magazines.

Dealers Get Dough For Displaying Sets

Under a "lend lease" plan at Hynes Bros., Inc., Washington, D.C., dealers have to buy and display a minimum of five Andrea models—TV sets or stereophonic instruments. Then Hynes gives them a free floor plan—and pays the interest.

The distributor pays \$5 a month per set, for six months, if five sets are kept on display. In effect, according to Andrea, Hynes is "leasing" a section of the dealer's floor space at \$25 a month. Twenty-two new dealers signed up the first month the plan went into effect.

TAKING STOCK A quick look at the way in which the stocks of 51 key firms within the industry behaved during the past week. This unique summary is another exclusive service for readers of EM WEEK.

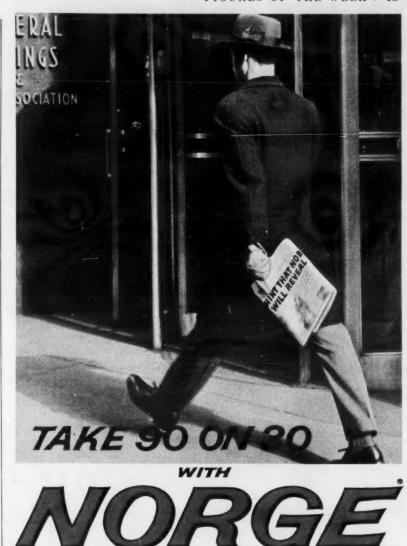


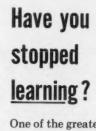
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| Arvin Ind. I | 367/a | 23 3/8 | 251/8 | 235/8 | - 11/2 |
| Borg Warner 2 | 481/2 | 373/4 | 441/8 | 421/8 | - 2 |
| Carrier 1.60 | 481/2 | 345/8 | 381/2 | 351/2 | - 3 |
| | | | | 397/8 | - 1/8 |
| CBS 1.40B | 483/4 | 35 | | 561/8 | — 3 ⁷⁸ |
| Chrysler I | 725/8 | 50% | 591/8 | 205/8 | + 21/2 |
| Decca Records I | 211/2 | 17 | 181/8 | 371/8 | + 21/2 + 15/8 |
| Emerson Electric I | 381/4 | 33 | 351/2 | 143/4 | - 3/4 |
| merson Radio .50F | 26 1/8 | 121/8 | 151/2 | 181/8 | _ 34 |
| Fedders I | 221/8 | 161/2 | 181/2 | 475/8 | - ¾ - ¾ - ½ |
| Seneral Dy. 2 | 661/2 | 42 1/8 | 48 3/8 | 891/2 | 1/2 |
| Seneral Elec. 2 | 997/8 | 74 | 89 5/8 | 46 | - 1/8 - 15/8 |
| Seneral Motors 2 | 58 1/8 | 45 | 47 1/8 | 751/2 | - 11/2 |
| General Tele. 2.20 | 851/8 | 60 | 77 | 271/4 | + 2 |
| Hoffman Elec60 | 37 | 223/4 | 251/4 | 13 | + 17/8 |
| Hupp CP. 3/8F | 131/4 | 51/4 | 111/8 | 38 | + 3 |
| Magnavox I | 403/8 | 313/4 | 35 | 393/8 | - 11/8 |
| Maytag 2A | 441/2 483/4 | 321/4 | 401/2 | 441/2 | + 1/2 |
| McGraw-Edison 1.40 | | 371/4 | 44 | 1861/8 | + 1/2 + 15 1/8 |
| Minn. Mining & Mfg. 1.60XD | 1861/8 | 401/2 | 1701/2 | 473/4 | - 11/4 |
| Montgomery Ward 2 | 531/2 | | 147/2 | 147/8 | 174 |
| Monarch 1.20 | 237/8 | 145/8 | 201/4 | 193/8 | - 1/8 |
| Motor Wheel I | 177 | 571/2 | 153 | 165 | + 12 |
| Motorola 11/2 | 313/4 | 253/8 | 27 | 261/2 | - 1/2 |
| Murray CP | 363/4 | 21 | 303/6 | 33 | + 25/8 |
| Philco 1/4G | 731/4 | 431/8 | 641/2 | 681/4 | + 25/8 + 33/4 + 1/8 - 1/2 + 1/8 |
| R.C.A. IB | 737/8 | 431/2 | 46 | 461/8 | + 1/2 |
| Raytheon 2.37T | 301/8 | 173/4 | 233/4 | 231/4 | + 1/8 - 1/2 + 1/8 |
| Rheem .60 | 143/4 | 10 | 103/4 | 107/8 | + 1/0 |
| Ronson .60 | 34 | 16 | 163/8 | 171/2 | + 11/8 |
| Roper GD | 177/8 | 12 | 16 | 157/8 | |
| Schick | 451/8 | 231/8 | 321/4 | 361/8 | - ½8 + 3½8 |
| Siegler Corp10E | 64 | 43 | 447/8 | 451/4 | + 3/8 |
| Smith A. O. 1.60A Sunbeam 1.40A | 67 | 50 | 551/8 | 58 | 1 4 27/- |
| Walbilt 10G | 81/8 | 35/n | 61/2 | 6 | - 1/2 |
| Westinghouse 1.20 | 571/4 | 451/2 | 501/2 | 507/8 | + 3/8 |
| Whirlpool 1.40 | 391/4 | 28 | 301/8 | 291/8 | - 1/4 |
| Zenith 1.60 | 1363/4 | 871/4 | 991/2 | 105 | - 1/2 + 3/8 - 1/4 + 51/2 |
| | 1 1 1 1 | /- | | | |
| AMERICAN EXCHANGE | 63/ | 45/ | 01/ | 81/4 | + 1/4 |
| Casco Pd30G | 93/4 | 45/8 | 81/8 | 97/8 | 1 /4 |
| Century Elec. 1/2 | 111/4 | 91/8 | 97/8 | 83/8 | + 1/4 |
| Du Mont Lab. | 97/8 | 51/2 | 81/8 | 61/8 | - 1/4 |
| Herold Rad. | | 3//2 | 61/4 | 8 | + 1/8 |
| Ironrite .20 Lamb, Ind. | 83/4 63/4 | 51/8 31/8 | 53/8 | 65/8 | + 11/4 |
| Muntz TV | 77/8 | 15/8 | 51/8 | 51/4 | + 1/4 |
| Silex | 101/8 | 27/8 | 8 | 8 | 74 |
| MIDWEST EXCHANGE | 10/8 | -/8 | | | |
| | | | 43/ | 47/ | 1 1/ |
| Knapp-Monarch | | _ | 43/4 | 47/8 | + 1/8 |
| Trav-ler Radio Webcor | _ | _ | 83/8 107/8 | 121/4 | - ½ - ½ |
| | | | | | |

A—Also extra or extras. B—Annual rate plus stock dividend, D—Declared or paid in 1959, plus stock dividend, E—Paid last year, F—Payable in stock during 1959, estimated cash value on ex-dividend or ex-distribution date. G—Declared or paid so far this year. T—Payable in stock during 1958, estimated cash value on ex-dividend or ex-distribution date.

ANALYSIS: 26 issues were up, 3 reflected no change and 22 stocks were down. The weekly average, in spite of the great number of stocks failing to show a weekly increase, was up a point over last week. Minn. M&M soared 15% pts. while Motorola registered a gain of 12 pts. Electronics continued to pave the

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| March 8 | Electronic Parts & Equip. Mfrs. Annual Meeting, Chicago |
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| March 16-18 | EIA, Spring Conference, Washington, D. C. |
| March 24 | AHLMA Engineering & Research Technical Conference, Sheraton Towers Hotel, Chicago. |
| March 30- April 1 | Gas Appliance Manufacturers Assn., Annual Meeting, The Greenbrier, White Sulphur Springs, W. Va. |
| April 6-7 | NRMA Home Furnishings Group Conference, Biltmore, N. Y. |
| April 10 | National Association of Music Merchants, Southwestern Regional Conference, Hotel Tulsa, Tulsa, Okla. |
| April 19 | Electronic Parts & Equip. Mfrs. Dinner Meeting, Chicago |
| April 21-22 | NRMA Board of Directors, Hotel Statler, Dallas, Texas |
| April 24-27 | NRMA Sales Promotion Div., Mid-year Convention, Paradise Inn, Phoenix, Arizona |
| April 28-29 | Annual AHLMA Convention, Diplomat Hotel, Hollywood-by-the-Sea, Fla. |
| May 10-14 | Appliance Parts Jobbers Assn., Annual Convention, Las Vegas, Nev. |
| May 16-18 | Parts Show, Chicago |

EIA Annual Convention, Chicago

A Quick Check of BUSINESS TRENDS

| 4 | LATEST MONTH | Preceding MONTH | YEAR AGO | THE YEAR SO FAR |
|---|-----------------|--------------------|-------------|--|
| FACTORY SALES appliance-radio-TV index (1957 — 100) | 135 | 127 | 109 | 23.8% up* (Dec. 1959 vs. Dec. 1958) |
| RETAIL SALES total (\$ billions) | 17.4 | 17.8 | 17.6 | 7.7% up (12 mos. 1959) |
| APPLIANCE-RADIO-TV STORE SALES (Smillions) | 333 | 347 | 321 | 9.9% up (12 mos. 1959) |
| CONSUMER DEBT + + owed to appliance-radio-TV dealers (\$ millions) | 295 | 290 | 292 | 1.1% up (Dec. 1959 vs. Dec. 1958) |
| FAILURES of appliance-radio-TV dealers | 31 | 16 | 39 | 20.5% less (Jan. 1960 vs. J.n. 1959) |
| HOUSING STARTS (thousands) | 75.9 | 82.3 | 87.0 | 12.7% less (Jan. 1960 vs. Jan. 1959) |
| AU'10 OUTPUT (thousands) | 154.7 ** | 158.8 ** | 127.7 ** | 21.1% up |
| PERSONAL CONSUMPTION EXPENDITURES for furniture-household equipment (\$ millions) | 19.0+ | 18.9+ | 17.8+ | 6.7% up (4th qtr. 1959 vs. 4th qtr. 1958) |
| DISPOSABLE INCOME unnual rate (\$ billions) | 340.6+ | 335.1 + | 322.9+ | 5.5% up (4th qtr. 1959 vs. 4th qtr. 1958) |
| consumer savings annual rate (\$ billions) | 23.6+ | 21.9+ | 23.7 + | .4% down (4th qtr. 1959 vs. 4th qtr. 1958) |
| LIVING COSTS index (1947-49 = 100) | 125.5 | 125.6 | 123.7 | 1.4% up (Dec. 1959 vs. Dec. 1958) |
| EMPLOYMENT (thousands) | 64,020 | 65,699 | 62,706 | 2.1% up (Jan. 1960 vs. Jan. 1959) |

*New index being used. Federal Reserve Bulletin, Jan. 1960.

**Figures are for the wesk ending February 27, 1960 and preceding week (revised.)

+Figures are for quarters.

++Federal Reserve Bulletin figures (revised).

A Quick Check of INDUSTRY **TRENDS**

An up-to-the-minute tabulation of estimated industry shipments of 15 key products. New figures this week are shown in bold-face type.

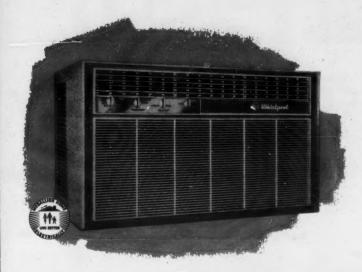
| | | 1959 (Units) | 1958 (Units) | % Change |
|---|-----------------|---------------------|---------------------|----------------------|
| DISHWASHERS | Dec. | 69,000 | 55,500 | +24.32 |
| | 12 Mos. | 579,600 | 424,700 | +36.47 |
| DRYERS, Clothes, Electric | *Jan. | 74,177 | 78,593 | — 5.62 |
| Gas | *Jan. | 37,426 | 39,627 | _ 5.55 |
| FOOD WASTE DISPOSERS | Dec. | 75,100 | 67,800 | + 10.77 ₁ |
| | 12 Mos. | 774,400 | 616,500 | + 25.61 ₁ |
| FREEZERS | Dec. 12 Mos. | 63,200 1,205,400 | 65,600 1,100,900 | -3.66 + 9.49 |
| INCINERATORS, Gas | Dec. | 2,600 | 6,500 | -60.00 |
| | 12 Mos. | 44,300 | 51,800 | -14.48 |
| RADIOS, Home-Portable-Clock(production) | *Week Feb. 19 | 225,009 | 167,788 | +34.10 |
| | 7 Weeks | 1,368,112 | 1,221,865 | +11.96 |
| RADIOS, Automobile (production) | *Week Feb. 19 | 153,661 | 106,066 | +44.87 |
| | 7 Weeks | 1,101,211 | 743,229 | +48.16 |
| TELEVISION (production) | *Week Feb. 19 | 121,577 | 115,909 | + 4.89 |
| | 7 Weeks | 911,427 | 800,805 | + 13.81 |
| REFRIGERATORS | Dec. | 282,600 | 286,900 | - 1.50 |
| | 12 Mos. | 3,785,000 | 3,116,700 | + 21.44 |
| RANGES, Electric—Standard | Dec. | 79,800 | 84,300 | - 5.34 |
| | 12 Mos. | 933,800 | 810,000 | +15.27 |
| Built-in | Dec. | 67,700 | 59,700 | +13.40 |
| | 12 Mos. | 753,000 | 544,400 | +38.32 |
| VACUUM CLEANERS | *Jon. | 258,330 | 242,516 | + 6.52 |
| WASHERS, Automatic & Semi-Auto | *Jan. | 202,943 | 222,893 | — 8.95 |
| Wringer & Spinner | *Jan. | 52,622 | 64,598 | 20.09 |
| WASHER-DRYER COMBINATIONS | *Jan. | 13,964 | 16,922 | —17.48 |
| WATER HEATERS, Electric (Storage) | Dec. | 41,300 | 68,600 | -39.80 |
| | 12 Mos. | 757,600 | 823,500 | - 8.00 |
| WATER HEATERS, Gas (Storage) | | 215,900 | 266,200 | -18.89 |

°1960 vs. 1959

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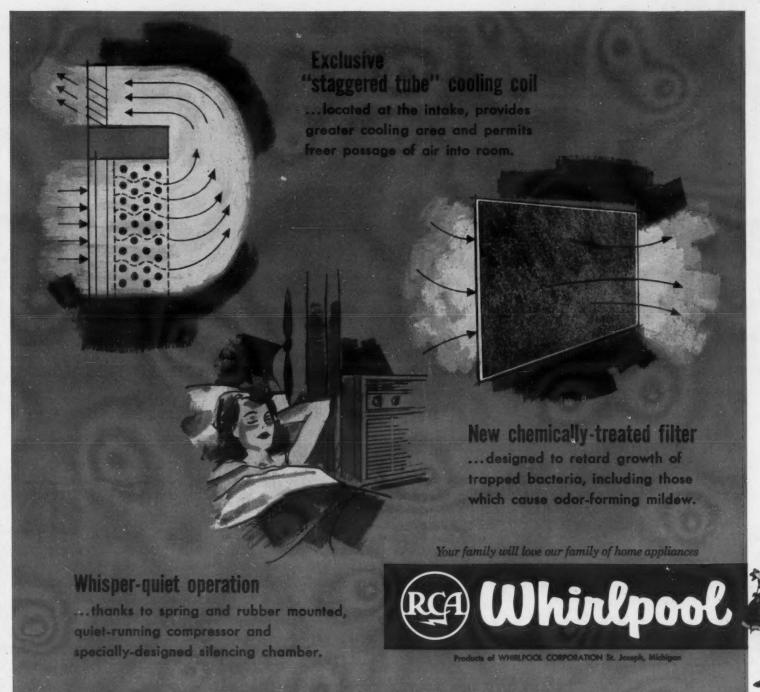
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